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The Taylor Family

As you listen to various people make reference to our life together, the most common phrase used is "The Taylor Family." This was once common nomenclature to describe groups of people in many environments even including industrial companies and their workforce. In today's world, the term "family" is used with caution even when describing a married couple and their children. During the Carter administration a "White House Conference on the Family" concluded that to use the word family in this narrow way was "myopic and limiting." We can understand at least in part the reasoning behind this sensitivity to the rapid disintegration of the traditional family and the many adaptations that modernity has made to social realities, including divorce, abuse, single parents, children born to unmarried women, teenage pregnancy, same-sex marriages, adoption and even clusters of the homeless caring for each other in abandoned buildings. In some sense, "family" can describe any responsible attempt that people make to care for each other.

The unfortunate side of our modern ethos is that many have found the word "family" itself to be a word too loaded with political overtones to use it at all. Management and labor are devised so adversarially that to call a business environment "family" is a cynical joke to many. Abuse has touched some in such a deep way that they display bumper stickers that say, "The Traditional Family is a Pathology." Fearing to offend or lest unattainable expectations are fostered, it is deemed prudent by many to avoid the emotion-laden term "family" at all.

At Taylor we fully appreciate the possibility that to celebrate a parents weekend, a grandparents day or a homecoming we persist in the use of this much politicized word and refer to the Taylor Family.

At Homecoming 96 I referenced the Robert Frost poem, "Death of the Hired Man" and quoted the line, "Home is the place that when you go there they have to take you in." This probably describes our use of the term quite well. At Taylor we learn to accept, appreciate, even celebrate the diversities that have brought us together. Some are from "traditional families," many are from homes of disjuncture caused by premature or accidental death, some by divorce, drugs, alcohol or other influences outside our control. Some have been "taken in" as in the case of racially diverse students and faculty orphaned by war or produced by the irresponsibilities that have always resulted from occupying armies. We come from blue collar and affluent homes. Some come from college graduate parents even stretching back several generations or, like myself, are the first to receive a college degree. We are of a variety of races and religious backgrounds, high church and low church, sometimes athletic, sometimes studious, sometime neither, sometimes both, but we all arrive at Taylor.

For those who persist and for the vast majority, the Taylor experience is a "family" experience. We are "taken in," usually understood and often loved even when we are unable to receive it as fully as it is offered. This magazine is devoted to the varieties of the family found at Taylor and presented with the fond hope that even where we fail we determine to improve. But above all, not to lose the vision that allows us to long for "family" in the spirit that Jesus offered when he said, "Our Father . . ." and may it never be "myopic and limiting."

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Faithfulness to All Generations

"Your word, O Lord, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens.
Your faithfulness continues through all generations." Psalm 119:89, 90a.

Displayed prominently in Art and Nelle Hodson's Marion, Ind., condominium is a large wooden candlestick, formed from wood salvaged from the old Magee-Campbell-Wisconsin Dormitory, Nelle's home at Taylor. She treasures it as a prized possession and eagerly shares memories of her dormitory.

"In those days, the students were held in rigid tow," recalls Nelle '43. "One Saturday I was going shopping in Marion, and a matron stopped me because I was in public without my gloves on. We couldn't even walk across campus with a man after dark. Social decorum was very important."

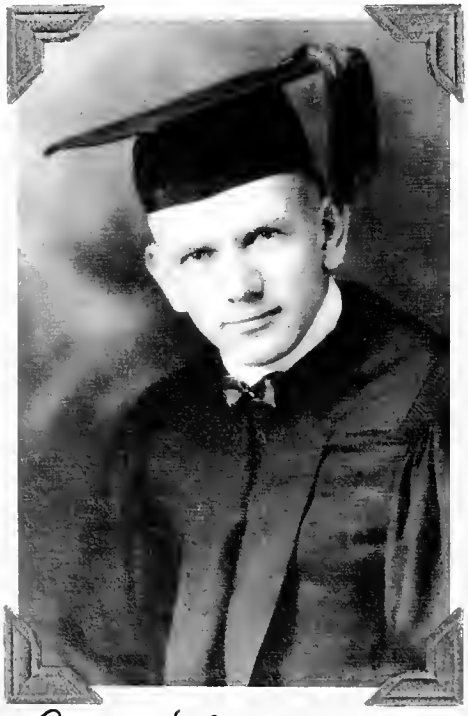
Memories like these tie Nelle to Taylor, but her connection to the University goes beyond her own experiences. As the daughter, mother and grandmother of Taylor students, Nelle's tie to Taylor is in the blood.

Nelle's father, Edwin Leisman, graduated from Taylor in 1925. He passed his love for Taylor on to his daughter, Nelle Alspaugh Hodson, the matriarch of the family, who in turn passed the Taylor gene on to her son, James "Mike" Alspaugh '78, and her grandson, Shawn, now a freshman.

The Taylor University from which Edwin Leisman graduated looked very different than the one from which his great-grandson will graduate. Though few of the current buildings existed, the spirit of family that always has defined Taylor was present.

Leisman came to Taylor as a high school student to finish his secondary degree at Taylor's "academy" before going on to complete a bachelor's degree. Far from home, Leisman found a refuge at Taylor. "He liked the family atmosphere," says Hodson. "At Taylor, you are taken in and you are part of it."

Leisman, who became a Baptist minister, encouraged his family to become part of the Taylor family. His younger



Edwin Leisman ~
Graduated from Taylor
in 1925

Nelle Leisman ~
Graduated from Taylor
in 1943

brother, Milton, graduated in 1926. Keeping the family tradition, Nelle easily made the decision to attend Taylor.

"Growing up in my family, you always knew that when it was time for college, it would be Taylor," says Nelle. She wasn't disappointed with her decision.

Looking back over the years, Nelle, who has lived near the University for most of her life, observed many changes at Taylor, but is impressed with the University's ability to maintain a consistent mission.

"The spiritual commitment has remained the same," Nelle says. "The clubs have changed, but the mission has not. There are deeply committed people at Taylor. That is why we want our grandson to grow up in that atmosphere."

Social restrictions during the 1920s may have made Nelle wear her gloves, but they didn't prevent her from meeting and marrying her first husband, James Alspaugh '39. After World War II, the Alspaughs settled in Upland.

"The plan was to stay for just one year," laughs Nelle. "But we never left. We fell in love with the town."

The Alspaughs had one son, Mike, who followed his parents' footsteps and graduated from Taylor in 1978. Mike now teaches in South Bend, Ind. His wife, Carole (Akers) Alspaugh, also is a 1978 graduate.

"They were seated alphabetically," explains Nelle. "I guess the two scared freshmen found solace in each other."

After her husband's death in 1983, Nelle remained in Upland and eventually married Art Hodson x'34, a longtime friend of Taylor University and a retired banker from Grant County. Once again, the Taylor connection made decision-making easier for Nelle.

"The commonalties of the University and our values are what led us to marry a few years ago," says Nelle. Art and Nelle were married at the prayer chapel on Taylor's campus, with Dr. Jay Kesler presiding.

The wedding and reception locations offered the couple a unique opportunity to blend their pasts with their future. In the prayer chapel, where the wedding ceremony was performed, hangs a plaque listing Nelle's first husband, James Alspaugh, as a contributor to the building. The Dining Commons where the reception was held is named for Art and his first wife, Mary, who died in January of 1996.

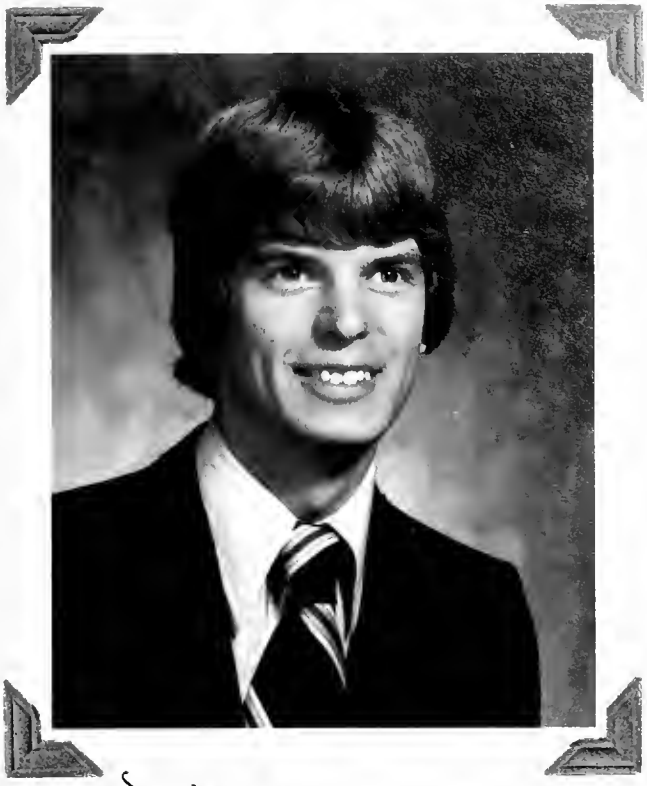
Nelle's grandson Shawn attended his grandmother's wedding at Taylor and returned to the campus a few years later as a student. Both Nelle and Shawn admit that a Taylor education was promoted shamelessly in their family, but Shawn is quick to note that the decision to come to Taylor was his own.

"I chose Taylor because I wanted to step up my faith," says Shawn. A resident of Gerig Hall, he is discovering the same family atmosphere his great-grandfather, grandmother and father found.

Nelle smiles as she talks about her grandson's decision to attend Taylor. "We are proud that we are a four-generation family, and that they came to Taylor on their own," she says.

With Shawn's first year at Taylor nearing completion, Nelle can now turn her attention to the next task at hand, convincing her second grandson, Matthew, to follow in the family footsteps when he graduates from high school in 2000.

–Amber Anderson



Mike Alspaugh – Graduated from Taylor in 1978

Shawn Alspaugh – Entered Taylor in 1998

Soup's On!!

"While it doesn't take a village to raise a child, it could be a lot of fun living in a village," Fred Johnson '96 remarks, laughing. "God gave us each other to work with and be with. It's not right to go and be off on your own forever, and working together with people has a lot of rewards. This is a place where the idea is to gather together and learn to live together."

If there was a fun village community on Taylor's campus, it undoubtedly would be the International Soup House, a residence which has formed into a haven for missionary kids (MK's) from Africa, visitors from South America, and even girls living in Olson Hall originally from Michigan. In other words, the Soup House is for everyone. It started in 1990, when six male international students decided it was less expensive, and more exciting, to live off-campus. For three years, the Soup House was located on First Street, where it gained several regular visitors and put together a mission statement. In 1993 it moved to its current location, behind Swallow Robin Hall, at the corner of Second and Wright Streets.

According to the Soup House web site, maintained by alumnus Tim Young '94, the mission of the house is, "to provide a place of comfort and social interaction for the international student body in particular, though the whole of Taylor is welcome ... it exists to provide a home for those who have none in the area."

The eclectic atmosphere of the house adds to its homey feeling. When entering the large living room, a collection of mismatched couches is seen, arranged on top of oriental rugs, rolled over dark wood floors. The ceilings are high and old-fashioned; the woodwork detailed. On some nights, students sit under warm lights, reading and studying. Other nights are livelier, often including movies and group dinners.

Foreign foods, ranging from Indian to African, often are made in the kitchen, along with chai, a traditional Indian tea made from milk, tea, cardamom and cinnamon. The residents host dinners throughout the year in which several Taylor faculty and staff, as well as speakers visiting the University, can enjoy food and fellowship.

"A night at the house might include a number of people sitting around doing their work while someone makes tea, or a full-blown deal where people are sitting up all night talking and watching movies," senior resident Mark Bane says. "One thing that is consistent is that it's a little bit like 'Cheer's' without the alcohol. No matter what kind of day you've had, and even if you've never been here before, you are made to feel more welcome here than you would anywhere else."

This January, Jeff Ramsdale, a 1994 Taylor graduate and MK from Peru, brought an extra element of culture into the house by hosting the Second Annual Soup House Film Festival, where movies were shown every Wednesday and Saturday night- for a month.

"The idea is to expose people to foreign or classic films that they wouldn't normally rent," says Ramsdale. "The Soup House works well for the filmfest because we can spark interesting discussions from a variety of individuals who take the conversation different directions and offer commentary, and that makes it fun."

He continues, "The Soup House attracts the kind of person who is involved in foreign interests, foreign cultures and art. They are often a little more philosophical in their approach to life, and a little less mainstream."

The residents of the house also are known for throwing unique parties, in which the dress, lighting and even the food, coordinate with the evening's theme.

"The blue party was themed around the color blue. They put blue cloth over the lamps that cast colored light over everything. They also had blue Jell-O and cookies," Bane said.

The sense of community offered from living or spending time at the Soup House is part of the ambiance of the place. Finding an environment where you are listened

to and genuinely made to feel at home is essential. Since many students who make up the house come to Taylor directly from other countries, it is often difficult making the cultural transition. The Soup House provides a family environment away from home.

Junior Heather Powell spent time at various spots overseas before living in Cote d'Ivoire, West Africa, during high school. "Coming to Taylor after not spending some of the most important social developmental years of my life in America, I had absolutely no idea how people interacted here. All I knew was what my friends were doing in Cote d'Ivoire," says Powell. "The Soup House is a place where I feel much more comfortable and able to be myself. I have a hard time meeting people; but if I come here, I feel like this is my own place, that I can be confident here. This is where I belong."

Dave Frank, a '98 graduate from Taylor, also an MK from Cote d'Ivoire, says the community offered at the Soup House, "was what let me belong. Not by the way I dressed or the way I looked, but by what I have to offer."

According to Young, "The result of the Soup House philosophy is that people learn to grow up, they learn to take responsibility when it is needed, they learn how to love through friendship. Whenever one needs someone to talk to, the Soup House always has someone with a willing ear. Whenever one is homesick, [s]he can always go to the Soup House and whip up some food from his or her part of the world, and find people willing to eat it with gusto and thanksgiving."

Mu Kappa, the organization for MK's and international students, is strongly connected to the house, where the group's meetings often are held. The house also is where Mu Kappa members meet before leaving campus for a camping trip or other annual events held over J-term or fall breaks.

According to MK and resident Dave Plate '99, "Although the Soup House shouldn't be lifted up to some super high standard, I think it is a special place. As for Mu Kappa, it's really good because the organization has a lot to add to Taylor."

After former Mu Kappa members, ex-residents or friends who spent time at the Soup House graduate, Homecoming weekend becomes an opportunity to reunite with Soup House friends.

"I didn't really understand the role that the house had until I moved in and began living here. Homecoming was a real revelation to me. So many people were here, so many who had lived or hung out here, and had all gone their separate ways but converged for one weekend," Bane said.

"The Soup House belongs to just about everybody," said Bane. "It's not just another house where people live one year, and others move in the next. Everything builds on what has come before."

–Sara Weinraub '00

Matt Gibson '00, Dave Plate '99 and Eric Goddard '99, all MK's, are Soup House residents who appreciate the home's cultural atmosphere.

Line of David

Imagine knowing your family tree went back to Abraham, and you and your descendents had been waiting 4,000 years for the coming Messiah. Then, in the 20th century, you discover that Jesus Christ, who walked in Jerusalem 2,000 years ago, was the Messiah for which your people had been waiting. This Christ is responsible for fulfilling the Judaism of the fathers of four Taylor students of Jewish heritage.

Being of Jewish descent has enriched the life of junior Louis Ressler. Ressler's father, who was born to Jewish parents, died when Louis was a little over three years old. Unbeknownst to Ressler and his mother, members of the Willow Creek Church in Chicago witnessed to his father while he was in the hospital — where he accepted Jesus as his Savior.

While in the hospital, Ressler's father told members of the Willow Creek Church that he wanted his wife and son to become Christians too. But the family did not learn of this until after his death. Ressler said that after his father died, his mother went on a spiritual search.

He does not have many specific memories of his father, but he does have a cassette tape of his father talking to him when he was young. Ressler also remembers a picture of his father celebrating Bar Mitzvah — a ceremony initiating Jewish boys into manhood — and wearing a prayer shawl and yarmulke. Though Ressler's father incorporated Eastern world religions into his faith before he became a believer in Christ, Ressler knew himself to be ethnically Jewish.

Ressler's mother continued to celebrate some of the Jewish religious days such as Passover and Hanukkah with Louis and other Jewish families. "We would celebrate Hanukkah," he said. "Had she not done those things, I may never have considered my Jewish heritage, but because she did, it imparted my heritage to me."

Because of his father's heritage and his mother's desire to honor it, Ressler said, "It has been a sizable aspect of my life, especially since I grew up in an area where there were a lot of Jews."

According to Ressler, a person isn't considered Jewish unless his or her mother is Jewish, but having a Jewish father gave his Jewish peers an added respect for him.

Ressler and his mother became Christians several years later. He became a believer at a Willow Creek Church camp when he was about 10 years old.

Judaism also has played a significant role in the life of Rachael Lieberman '00, whose father was

Ben '99 and Rebekah Eisner were married under a traditional Jewish Hoopah, a canopy which represents God's covering of the Holy Spirit. The son of a Jewish father, Ben is thankful for his Jewish heritage.

born again in his late twenties. He spoke in chapel last spring, where he shared about his background and ministry to the Jewish people.

Lieberman shared that her father always has a written testimony of his conversion, which includes Jesus' fulfilling his Judaism as the prophesied Messiah. She's amazed at how many people her father knows, and how easily he starts a conversation.

Lieberman's heritage has enhanced her understanding of the Bible. "When I'm reading about Jesus' ministry on earth ... I feel like I have ... a greater duty to minister to the Jewish community," she said.

She also believes the Jewish festivals help her to understand more about the nature of God and his relationship with his people.

Lieberman sometimes is afraid people will misunderstand Jewish believers (a Messianic Jew is a Jewish person by descent who believes Jesus Christ is the Messiah). She said that there can be misconceptions about Messianic Jews, "even though we have Jewish blood ... we can still go to church and be Christians. We still believe in things [other Christians do], but we just have a different background."

Senior Ben Eisner, the owner of The Jumping Bean coffee shop on campus, was able to incorporate his Jewish heritage into his 1996 wedding with his wife, Rebekah. The Eisners brought many Jewish traditions into their ceremony. They had a Hoopah (a canopy) over them, an idea which in part comes from Psalm 91. The Hoopah has four corners to represent God's covering — the Holy Spirit.

The Yichud, a ten to fifteen minute period of seclusion after the ceremony where the bride and groom consider their vows together, was another tradition that was part of the wedding—a time of "privacy and peace before the public celebration," Eisner said.

Eisner adds, "Rebekah is the Gentile and I'm the Jew, and we came together as one. It was a real picture of the church and how God wants it to be someday. Our wedding was symbolic."

Eisner's father became a Christian about 25 years ago during the "Jesus Movement" of the '70s — a Messianic Jew led him to the Lord. "That time was exploding with Jews becoming Christians," Eisner said.

His father's Jewish heritage was passed down to Ben and has shaped some of his appreciation for Judaism, especially in context with his faith in Christ.

"Jesus was a Jew. They called him 'Rabbi,'" Eisner said. "Jesus was a full practicing Jew. A lot of people don't see Him that way, but He was. Jesus came to fulfill Judaism — and he never referred to believers as Christians. We can take things from Judaism that can enhance our relationship with God."

Junior Sara Weinraub's father also is a Messianic Jew. He married Weinraub's mother, but they were divorced. After the divorce, he was invited to a Bible study. At first he was hesitant, but six months later he became a believer. Her father's conversion caused a rift in the family as Weinraub's Jewish grandfather struggled to accept his son's belief in the Messiah.

His conversion did help mend one relationship, however. Weinraub's parents remarried after becoming believers; she was born after their remarriage.

This summer her parents visited her in San Francisco, where she interned at the Jews for Jesus world headquarters. "My father says I have the best of both worlds," said Weinraub.

"Jesus was a full practicing Jew. A lot of people don't see Him that way, but He was. Jesus came to fulfill Judaism..."

"I don't feel that because my father is a Messianic Jew I am any more keen on interpreting the Bible, or anything else, more than the average Christian," Weinraub added. "But it can be said that when Israel is hit with a bomb, I feel it inside and thank God He has allowed me to live in America. Or when I hear the statistic that only about 65,000 out of 13,000,000 Jews believe that Y'shua (Jesus) is their Messiah, it hurts. And I guess I've decided that I want to help. Being half Jewish, working with Jews for Jesus or an organization like it, is where I feel pulled toward in missions. Maybe that's my reasonable service."

Though Weinraub's family, the Eisners, Resslers and Liebermans were not Orthodox Jews (those who devoutly practice many of the original customs and traditions), all four said their families still have a high regard for their Jewish heritage.

Ressler asks people to give pause to consider the Jewish people who are not believers and how that affects the Church's ministry.

Ressler added, "I think the Church needs to focus more energy on ministry to the Jewish people — based on a renewed cognizance that the Jewish people were the chosen people of God and the primary recipients of that blessing."

For four Taylor students and their families, God's blessings seem especially great as they consider their Jewish heritage and Christian faith.–*Jeremie Solak '99*

Untangling the Truth

Television commercials and magazine advertisements often depict the family as an idyllic unit where each member is protected, supported and nurtured. Outside the world of advertising, however, many families struggle with dark secrets that lie hidden just beneath the surface.

Statistics suggest that one in four girls and one in six boys are victims of sexual abuse. Often this abuse comes at the hands of a relative, making the family a combat zone rather than a place of comfort. It is into this battlefield that Diane Mandt Langberg, Ph.D., a 1970 Taylor graduate and professional psychologist practicing in the Philadelphia area, enters in hopes of bringing healing to victims.

When Langberg entered the professional world, sexual abuse was a taboo topic, even among counselors and psychologists. As the only woman on staff at a Christian counseling center, she was requested as a counselor by many female clients. After hearing numerous accounts of childhood abuse, Langberg asked her supervisor for advice on counseling these women.

"He told me that women sometimes tell hysterical stories and that it was my job not to get hooked by them," Langberg recalls. She sensed truth in the women's stories, and determined to learn how to help these women. "I told my clients that I didn't know anything about sexual abuse, but I was willing to learn from them and to help them in any way I could." This decision altered her career path.

Now, more than 25 years later, Langberg specializes in counseling adult survivors of sexual abuse; she also works with Christian leaders who have experienced some type of trauma or life crisis, which may include anything from being a sexual offender to being kidnapped on the mission field.

For abuse survivors, Langberg takes a two-point approach to counseling, and offers the same advice to ministers and counselors who work with victims of sexual abuse. "First, give them credibility," she says. "Believe them. Second, give them the respect of really listening when they need to talk."

Those struggling with memories of sexual abuse can take hope in Langberg's encouraging message: breaking the silence about abuse can help survivors along the path to healing. "To speak the truth to someone ... is the beginning of freedom," she says. "Sexual abuse wounds, and wounds that are denied or untended don't heal. For someone to say, 'I have been sexually abused; this is what happened to me,' is the beginning."

According to Langberg, healing from sexual abuse is a process of separating the truth from lies. "A lot of the work I do with survivors is very intricate work. It's like taking a ball of twine that got put together all twisted up and trying to tease apart the strings, to separate the truth from the lies," she says.

Determining the truth is important because sexual abuse teaches victims lies about themselves and others.

As she works with adults who were abused as children, she helps them to see that in the horrific moments that they were abused, they were deceived into believing such lies as, "I caused this abuse," "the abuse happened because I am a terrible person," or "the abuse means that I am trash; this would not have happened if I were worth something." As victims come to recognize these lies, Langberg begins the process of "teasing apart the strings" to separate truth from falsehood.

Langberg, who also has published two books on the topic of counseling victims of sexual

abuse, recently spoke at the Psychology Club Conference held on Taylor's campus. As an expert on the topic, she often speaks to colleagues, students and pastors about counseling survivors of sexual abuse. It was in preparation for her talks that Langberg realized she, too, was guilty of abuse, though she has never physically or sexually assaulted anyone.

"Our word 'abuse' comes from a Latin word that means 'to use wrongly,'" says Langberg. As I studied that word, the Spirit of God helped me realize that I was guilty of abuse, if those were the meanings of the word. I have certainly used others wrongly.

"God has worked in me to say, 'Yes, you are going to work with survivors of sexual abuse, but I'm going to work in you. I'm not going to let you work in this horrific area without you dealing with what you do with your tongue or in the hidden places of your own life.'" This knowledge makes Christ's redemptive love even more precious to Langberg and the offenders she also counsels.

As Langberg helps survivors untangle the darkness of their past, she encourages them to find support in a more loving family: the Church. "The Church has the opportunity to help [survivors] and to walk alongside them while they get the help they need," she says.

While Langberg's career and books focus on helping survivors of childhood sexual abuse, the message she most wishes to proclaim is the salvation gospel of Jesus Christ.

"I can't bring life. I can't raise the dead. I certainly don't bring redemption, but I know the One who does," Langberg says. "If I maintain a relationship with Him that is full of life and constantly feeding me, then I will be a vehicle for redemption in the lives of others."–*Amber Anderson*

Taylor alumna Dr. Diane Mandt Langberg spoke in chapel before her keynote session at the Psychology Club Conference. Langberg, an expert on counseling survivors of childhood sexual abuse, encouraged all believers to seek truth in their own lives.

Dr. Langberg speaks on the family

"Part of what the job of parenting involves is to teach your children how to name things. 'This is a tree and that is a cat.' The same thing is true with more intangible things. I worked very hard with my own sons to help them accurately name their own emotions. The very act of being free to do that with children communicates to them first that there are feelings and that they have names, and second, that in this family, it is okay to say what they are. It takes a lot of shame and denial out of the whole emotional life of a child by doing that.

"Whether you are talking about your family of origin or the family you create as you become an adult, or the church family, I believe that the family is to be a place where the character of God is demonstrated. That means that a family should be a safe place because He is a refuge. Those things that are unsafe, whether it is ugliness with our tongues, duplicity and deceit, abuse, rage, bitterness, that makes it not a refuge, those things should not have a place in the family.

"I believe a family is a place of nurturing because God is a Shepherd and a nurturer. So that means with each other, certainly with our children and in marriage, we should learn what those things are that nurture the others in our family. The same is true in our church family. We must actively commit ourselves to doing those things for each other so that we provide an environment of love.

"I believe the family is a place of teaching so that who we are and the way we interact with each other, again whether it's the church family or at home, doesn't just teach children but teaches adults as well. We need to be willing to be instruments that teach each other and point to the truth by the way we love each other, giving each other tastes of who God is by the way we relate."

Nurturing your child: in school and at home

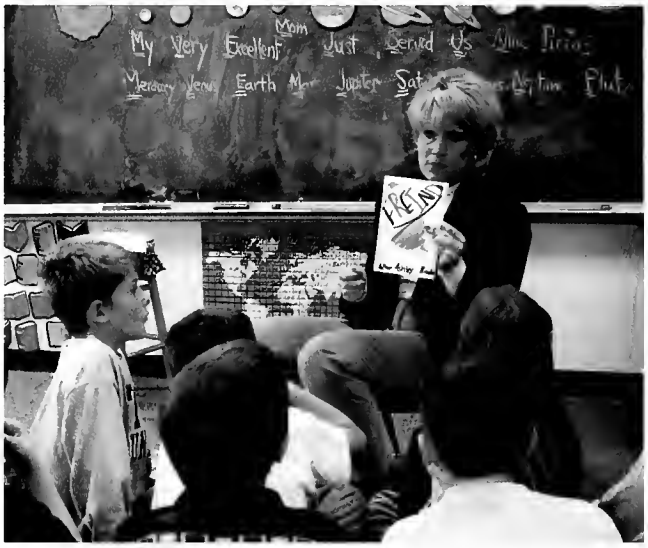
"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it" (Proverbs 22:6 NIV).

As I reflect on my 19 years as an elementary school teacher, three years as a professor of elementary and early childhood methods and most importantly on my 19 years as a mother, I am quickly drawn to the saying, "but for the grace of God." Many times we, as parents, begin to feel that we have failed at being the parents God wants us to be. I take comfort in the fact that through the trials and daily pressures, God molds us into the parents He wants us to be for our children. How can we begin to prepare our young children for school and life in general? Here are a few essentials to remember.

To nurture means "... to feed and protect; nourish" and "... to help grow or develop" (American Heritage School Dictionary). A parent must first and foremost provide for the basic natural needs of a child. After these needs are met, parents need to help their child grow and develop into a person of integrity.

Proverbs says, "the integrity of the upright guides them ..." (Proverbs 11:3). To become a person of integrity each child must be valued. Daily tell your child that you love him/her. Be available for open and honest communication with your child. Practice what you preach to your child by modeling integrity. Never lie or break promises. Strive to say five positive things for every criticism or correction you give. As the child is nurtured by parents, he/she will grow in self-worth and will develop a healthy self-esteem.

Many articles today speak about the importance of quality versus quantity time with children. It is very easy to buy into the theory that what we do with our children is more important than the amount of time we spend with them. I believe that both quality and quantity time are essential to the growth and development of children. Make a point to attend all activities in which your children participate. After each event, be careful to praise your children and not criticize their efforts. Show genuine interest in what they like and are good at. At times be spontaneous. A quick walk in the rain or a trip to Dairy Queen can make lasting memories. In the classroom we call these spontaneous times "teachable moments." Watch for every memory making moment with your children.



Colleen (Wehling) Yordy '77 teaches third grade at Upland Elementary School. Educated at Taylor, Yordy values parents' role in educating children.

Reading can become a nurturing time with children. Read to your child daily, beginning in infancy. The warmth and closeness felt by the child on the lap of a parent is more valuable than the book that was chosen. Favorite book choices can be read over and over again, especially at bedtime. Children will learn the proper way to hold a book, what book language sounds like, and most importantly that Mom and Dad value reading.

A favorite memory-making experience at our home is trips to the library with Dad. The library has become a special place for both of our children because it is a special place for Dad.

A wonderful planned time each year in our home is the family vacation time. From birth we have chosen a special place to spend some time away with our children. Even now, as teenagers, our children do not want to miss these special times. The many hours in a mini-van and eating out of the cooler made lasting memories for our family.

The final essential to remember as we nurture our children for school and life is to pray with and for them. Sharing requests and praises brings a special closeness between parents and children. God chose Abraham " ... so that he will direct his children and his household after him to keep the way of the Lord by doing what is right and just ..." (Genesis 18:19).

God has given parents an awesome responsibility to nurture and guide their children. With His help and guidance we will help develop men and women of integrity who are ready to tackle school and the life beyond our homes.

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Motivating the heart of your TEENAGER

Of the many values we impart to our teenagers, how to motivate themselves and others is of the utmost importance. Motives form the heart's core. Scriptures describe the heart as our teenagers' deepest thoughts, feelings and passions.

Scripture stresses the matters of the heart as important for the way teenagers are, what they do and what they will become. The heart expresses who we truly are (Prov. 23:7; 27:19). God asks our teenagers to learn how to diligently watch over their hearts, for from it flows the wellsprings of life (Prov. 4:23).

Parents often stress achievements like grades or athletic awards, or provide money as incentives for activities. Sometimes parents complain or seek the easiest path in performing our responsibilities. When we do these things, we have inadvertently taught our children the wrong motives of the heart. Christ honors a loving heart. To shape such a heart, teens need to continually see in us a love for others and for them through what we do with them for others, and for what we praise them. Love is a commitment to others to live faithfully toward them according to God's precepts, through the power of the Holy Spirit (1 John 5:2-3; Luke 10:27).

Three key tools that we posses to teach them to be motivated by love are prayer (James 5:18), encouragement (Heb. 3:13) and accountability (Rom. 15:14; Heb. 10:23-25). Like tools in a carpenter's hands, they must be used wisely to effectively cut, join and shave. Parents must wisely change their style of relating from commanding to reasoning, working beside their teens as a master does an apprentice. A parent needs to ask questions for thought, provide criteria for decisions from the Scriptures and release their children to make their own decisions. Parents must carefully choose private moments and events to facilitate reflection of attitudes, rather than have public arguments to determine who is in control.

Prayer

Scripture tells us that the prayer of a righteous person creates great changes (James 5:16). I encourage parents to get up each morning before your teenagers do and pray for them to have a heart sensitive to sin, to seek to initiate encouragement in the lives of others, and to be motivated by love, curiosity, challenge and conviction.

It is key that parents pray privately with their teenagers. It is a time to hear what is on their hearts without embarrassment. It gives parents the chance to share what is on their hearts. My teenage daughter and I go through the ACTS system of prayer each evening before she goes to bed. We Adore God. We each praise Him for qualities that describe Him. We Confess our sins to one another. I try to be transparent with my daughter so she will not be afraid to mention areas that she has failed in. We Thank God for all the things that He has done in our day. Last of all, we pray for a list of people that we are concerned about and areas that we are trying to grow in (Supplications). Prayer bonds our hearts in love to each other and to God.

Encouragement

Seek to find the good within your teenagers on a daily basis so their heart will not fall into sin (Heb. 3:13). Note when they do a responsibility that is expected of them, and focus on the acts of kindness they show that are not required. Point out the abilities and spiritual gifts that God has given them. Send them notes that specifically communicate the reasons you appreciate them. For positive correction to be heard, you must lay a foundation of encouragement so they know that you are on their side.

Teenagers also need to see and hear you say encouraging things about others. Is your speech filled with complaining, gossip and hatred? If it is, then you may be shaping their heart in a way you never intended.

Accountability

Establish mutual accountability for growth between your teenager and you. On important issues it is crucial for you to help your teens establish what they want to be held responsible for. Let them set their own standards using biblical principles. Commit to having a time that you will evaluate each other.

Each year my daughter and I establish how we want to grow in responsibilities around the house, the stewardship of money, spiritual disciplines, relationship development, intrapersonal issues, decision making abilities and identity issues. We then meet together for breakfast at a restaurant once a month to discuss how we are doing, strategies for improving and to celebrate changes.

Conclusion

The greatest thing that we can give our teenagers is a loving heart. The tools of prayer, encouragement and accountability wisely used can shape their hearts to be motivated by love.

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Returning to the Roots of Civil Rights

Most current Taylor students were born in the late 1970s or early 1980s, making them 20 years too young to remember the Civil Rights Movement. A team of students from Taylor and DePauw University, however, used their January-term to step back in time to this period of social unrest. Led by Dr. Steve Messer, associate professor of history, the students spent more than two weeks traveling through the South to famous Civil Rights Movement sites. In the process, they learned much about the present by looking at the past. Students kept journals of their thoughts and experiences; a few entries are shared below.

January 8, 1999

The first stop on the trip was to visit the National Civil Rights Museum in Memphis, Tenn. The museum is located at the Lorraine Motel, where Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated.

Although it was interesting to see some of the official documents and important pictures from the Movement, there were a few things that touched me at a deeply emotive level.

One of these was a bus from the 1950s. There are only two people on it: a statue of a bus driver, turned toward a person sitting toward the front – Rosa Parks.

As soon as I stepped onto the silent bus, I had a horrible, eerie feeling of not belonging there. It was as though the authenticity of the bus made me realize I was stepping into a world where the social restrictions and customs were things I had heard about but never lived. Where was I supposed to look? Up? Downcast and humble? And *where* was I supposed to sit? I couldn't figure out where the back of the bus began.

When I called home, my mom, who grew up in Greensboro, N.C., said that where the back began depended on where the whites wanted to sit and how many people were on the bus.

LaTonya Taylor '01

A dilapidated grocery store in Mississippi serves as a reminder of the horrible results of racism.

January 11, 1999

Taylor students visited with Mr. Owen Brooks, who came to Greenville, Miss., as a young man to work for educational and social rights. The delta area where he lives remains one of abject poverty. Later in the day the group stopped at an old store, which in 1955 was the site of a situation that led to the death of 14 year-old Emmitt Till, a young black man.

Today I was in the presence of a very great man. Mr. Brooks moved to the Mississippi Delta about 30 years ago and has stayed there working to improve the lives of the people. Aside from efforts to desegregate the schools and town, Mr. Brooks has worked to empower the poor through education.

He is obviously a man who has sacrificed his life and potential for what he believes in. His speech reveals an intellect, insight and deep faith that could have made him a prominent political leader, analyst or ambassador.

Mr. Brooks' story has power for me because he has not seen many of the changes he wanted to engender when the National Commission on Religion and Race sent him to Mississippi. For example, the schools are still very segregated, and the education system that was 50th in the nation when he came to Mississippi is still in last place.

"Yeah, I'm bitter," he said, speaking about his disappointments. But he also shared that he is able to keep going because he has a vision beyond himself and truly believes that things can be better. Otherwise, he asked us, wouldn't he be a fool?

Later I felt a sense of fear along the road and at the store where Emmitt Till spoke to the white woman – the incident that led to his murder. Like many of the sites we have seen, this site is not marked with a historical marker. No one would know this old crumbling stone building is significant. This site has a feeling of evil to it because a 14 year-old was killed for not knowing how to play by Southern rules. Maybe he didn't know how to shuffle his feet and lower his eyes and say "suh." He must not have known that he, with his wallet pictures of white classmates and "girlfriends," represented the greatest fear of the old order. Mamie Bradley must not have taught her son that he wasn't as good as everyone else.

LaTonya Taylor

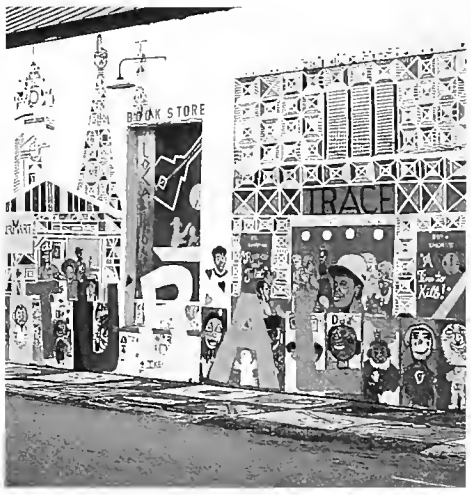
January 13, 1999

A stop at the Mississippi Cultural Crossroads, located in Port Gibson, gave Taylor students the opportunity to observe a center which brings black and white community residents together through cultural pursuits such as gardening, quilting and art.

The main thing that impacted me about MCC was the concept of the center. It was not a place started by blacks where they enshrined figures and moments of the Movement so people could learn about them and understand their struggle. It was not a museum built by whites with glossed-over facts and inspirational quotes by infamous people. It was a place where both blacks and whites worked together to truly promote racial reconciliation and harmony. It is a place where, no matter who you are, you can play a part in continuing the spirit and passion of the Civil Rights Movement. They realize that the Movement has changed, and our job now is not to fight for equal rights, but to overcome deep-seeded prejudices.

The reason this was so important to me was because throughout the trip I have been struggling with the question, "what can we do *now*?" We have learned so much and we know what was done then, but what about now? Issues are different and times have changed, so what does that mean to us? How do we implement all of the knowledge and passion we have learned and experienced on this trip into our lives back home?

Sarah Hinkle '02



A mural wall at the Mississippi Cultural Crossroads displays the creativity of local artists.

January 14, 1999

Visiting the Southern Poverty Law Center gave Taylor travelers the opportunity to hear about more recent acts of racism, such as the firebombing of the center in the 1980s by Klansmen. Because of security risks, the center practices strict security measures.

The Southern Poverty Law Center was very interesting. My first impression came from going into their guard shack in order to use the restroom. The security was beyond belief. There were guards standing on the street observing activity; [with] surveillance cameras they monitored the location of their employees within the building. The girls who spoke to us seemed so young and so comfortable with the idea that they could be in danger at any time. It's strange to see people who live with death at their door at any given moment, and yet are so calm and able to go about their important jobs. Andrew Young [a close confidant of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.] said that true believers in nonviolence have come to terms with their own deaths. This observation ... ties into one of the underlying themes within the movement – both from black and white perspectives – faith.

Kate Johnson '01

January 15, 1999

The National Voting Rights Museum, dedicated to honoring those who fought for equal rights at the polls, was a stop along the way. One exhibit at the museum commemorates Bloody Sunday, when police on horseback beat civil rights marchers as they crossed the Edmund Pettus Bridge.

The National Voting Rights Museum was another interesting event. I was really interested in the "I Was There" wall. The handwritten statements from those who marched on Bloody Sunday made the stories and videos come to life. Some said, "I was beaten." Some said, "I marched on Bloody Sunday." ... I saw one card that I'm sure was difficult to write, put up, or both. It said "I was a trooper on Bloody Sunday." I wonder how hard it was to put that card next to a card that says, "I was beaten."

JaNiece McCraw '02

Taylor students gathered for a photo opportunity and time of discussion in front of the Civil Rights Memorial at the Southern Poverty Law Center.

January 16, 1999

Taylor students confronted racism first hand by attending an anti-Klan rally in Birmingham, Ala. Later in the day the students visited Sixteenth Street Baptist Church, which was bombed in 1963 because of the congregation's involvement in the Civil Rights Movement.

First we went to where the anti-Klan was marching ... I inched my way to the front with the help of a tall, black man. On the steps stood 38 members of the KKK. At first, I couldn't hear for the people around me. I started to watch the police, who were supposed to have no facial expressions. The one black man, however, couldn't help it. Every time the KKK said "nigger," his hands made a fist ...

The entire trip so far has been looking at the past and walking in footsteps. Well today, I realized just how much we still struggle. We still fight for peace and unity. It is alive – the hate. The racism. And it's not just in the South. Some of the KKK there today were from Indiana.

Christy Freed '02

This stain glass window at Sixteenth Street Baptist Church survived the bombing that killed four small girls. The window was unharmed, with the exception of the face of Jesus, which was shattered.

January 22, 1999

The final stop on the trip was at Highlander Education and Research Center in New Market, Tenn. Highlander, established in the 1930s as a place where Southerners of all races could meet, provided students with a place to discuss the thoughts and emotions they felt throughout the trip.

When I return to campus and begin to get back to life as "normal," I sincerely hope that I will hold onto the things I have learned and am now more acutely aware of. I also do not want to settle back into my comfort zone so completely that I go back to the apathetic, apprehensive person I tend to be.

I know that I cannot change the world by myself, but just as God tells us that we can move mountains with the faith of a mustard seed, I know that even the little things I do can make a difference. I pray for God to give me the strength to do all that He desires me to do.

Allison Stevens '00

Trip participants Sara Gross '00 and Tanesha Eldridge '02 built friendships as they learned about the history of the Civil Rights Movement.

Today is the last day that we will officially meet as a group. This trip has opened my eyes so much that I can't possibly express it all ...

Part of the afternoon was spent discussing what personally and/or collectively we can do to affect change. It is hard for me to say what I'm going to do; I am usually expected to do something because I'm black. My major insight from this trip has been courage. I don't consider myself a coward; however, after many rejections on issues I would like to see resolved, or at least dealt with, I have become hard-hearted. I want to take the courage of those throughout the Movement ... and become strong and continue to hold my ground.

"Ain't gonna let nobody turn me round ..."

JaNiece McCraw

LIGHTHOUSE TRAVELERS PIONEER NEW DESTINATION

Taylor students and employees continued a 27-year tradition this January as they embarked for Lighthouse trips to seven countries. Lighthouse Trips, which began with a trip to the Bahamas under the leadership of Dr. Ruth Ann Breuninger, now offer students the opportunity to serve in foreign countries during the University's January term. Both campuses participate in Lighthouse trips.

Upland Campus Pastor Chuck Gifford and his wife Linda pioneered a trip to Ghana, where they lived and worked near the capital city of Accra. The opportunity to go to Ghana came in an unusual way as God closed doors to travel in other African nations.

Initially a trip to Ethiopia was planned, but State Department warnings forced Gifford to cancel the trip. Searching for a new location for the Lighthouse students, Gifford worked with the African director of Youth for Christ to select Kenya. Weeks later, the American Embassy in Kenya was bombed, and international travel to the country was strongly discouraged.

"I was scrambling to find a new location," Gifford says. With only a few months until the start of the trip, Gifford again spoke with the Youth for Christ director and considered five other African nations. The director finally suggested Ghana.

As Gifford was speaking to the director on the phone, two women arrived unexpectedly and asked to see Gifford. Their request was confirmation of God's leading the Taylor team to Ghana.

"The women, without knowing of our search for a missions site, encouraged us to take a team of Taylor students to Ghana," Gifford recalls.

Just two days later a State Department warning announced a bomb threat on the Ghana Embassy. Certain of God's direction but concerned about the safety of the students, Gifford made a trip to the African nation last fall.

"I had the most incredible reception from the people in Ghana," Gifford says. "I came back and told the students, 'we're going to Ghana.'"

Now that he, his wife and the 16 students who traveled to Ghana have returned, the students agree that going to Ghana was God's direction.

"I just fell in love with the people," says Craig Jaggers '00. Though he had traveled internationally before, this was Jaggers first extended missions trip, and his first opportunity to view the difficulties of serving as a missionary.

"I saw past all the great things about serving, and saw some of the hardships," Jaggers says. "And God laid service on my heart. Somehow, in my future, God has mission work in store for me."

Jaggers and other team members worked in the schools, where they had total liberty to share the gospel message with the students of Ghana. Working in 90 degree weather, the students assisted Youth for Christ in setting the foundation for a conference center that will be used to train young adults to serve in the church. Two Taylor alumni, now serving with Youth for Christ in Ghana, invited the Taylor students to lead their clubs while they were in the country. On free days, Taylor students had the choice of working at a hospital, in an orphanage, or returning to the school they spoke at earlier in the trip.

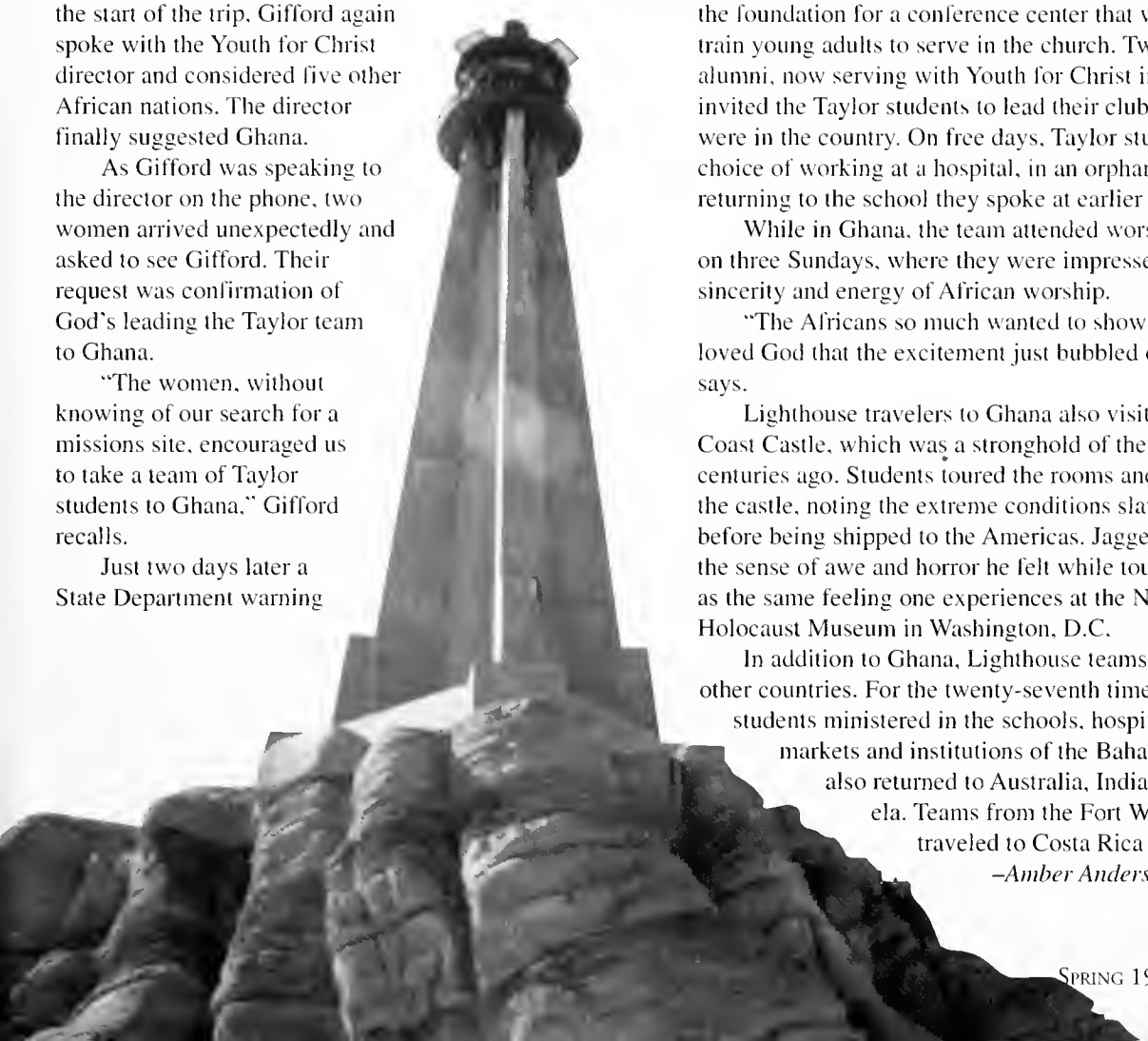
While in Ghana, the team attended worship services on three Sundays, where they were impressed with the sincerity and energy of African worship.

"The Africans so much wanted to show how they loved God that the excitement just bubbled over," Jaggers says.

Lighthouse travelers to Ghana also visited the Cape Coast Castle, which was a stronghold of the slave trade centuries ago. Students toured the rooms and dungeons of the castle, noting the extreme conditions slaves endured before being shipped to the Americas. Jaggers compared the sense of awe and horror he felt while touring the castle as the same feeling one experiences at the National Holocaust Museum in Washington, D.C.

In addition to Ghana, Lighthouse teams traveled to six other countries. For the twenty-seventh time Taylor students ministered in the schools, hospitals, churches, markets and institutions of the Bahamas. Teams also returned to Australia, India and Venezuela. Teams from the Fort Wayne campus traveled to Costa Rica and Jamaica.

–Amber Anderson



Juilliard-trained pianist brings talent to Taylor

After a nationwide search for a new music professor, Canadian-born Dr. Leon Harshenin was a natural choice for the assistant professor of music opening at Taylor University.

Born and raised in Vancouver, British Columbia, Harshenin came to the United States to pursue his education at the prestigious Juilliard School of Music in New York. Before coming to Taylor, he completed his doctoral studies at the University of Michigan.

Relatively few musicians are able to build careers based solely on performance, but Juilliard is the place to pursue that ideal. Situated in Manhattan and accepting only top level performers, the school creates not only a highly cultured environment, but an extremely demanding one as well. This enabled Harshenin to hone his musical abilities.

Receiving his bachelor's and master's in Music from Juilliard in 1984 and 1985, Harshenin recently received his DMA in piano performance and pedagogy. He currently serves as assistant professor of piano and coordinator of piano studies at Taylor University.

According to the Upland Music department chair, Dr. Albert Harrison, Harshenin combines qualities of excellent musicianship, teaching and friendship. "He understands the nature of Taylor University and helps his students with the rigors of the professional world," comments Harrison. "Although he is an extremely talented pianist, he is both humble and approachable at the same time."

Other faculty members echo Harrison's commendation of Harshenin. Todd Syswerda '91, music instructor, says that although Harshenin is an extremely accomplished musician, he is "not aloof in his talent."

Piano students of Harshenin affirm his excellent teaching skills. Junior Lisa Sweeney, one of Harshenin's piano pupils, praises his instructional methods asserting that she improved a great deal last semester under Harshenin's instruction. Sweeney particularly appreciated the degree to which Harshenin challenged her during lessons while focusing on her specific musical strengths and weaknesses. Sweeney feels so improved from her time with Harshenin that she has decided to increase her half-hour lesson of last semester to a full hour this spring.

Harshenin's piano students are challenged and taught to focus on developing their unique musical gifts. One of his students, Brian Anders '02, is very impressed with the atmosphere Harshenin maintains while teaching.

"He makes the environment very relaxed — there's not too much pressure," states Anders "and he has a great sense of humor. He emphasizes more than music when he is teaching." Anders also affirms that Harshenin is both a gifted pianist and talented performer.–*Kelly Fonfara '99 and Arna Smith '87*

Lewis Colloquium attracts international attention

In an effort to further explore the mind and diverse works of one of the 20th century's greatest Christian authors, Taylor's C. S. Lewis and Friends Committee will host the Frances White Ewbank Colloquium, Nov. 12-14.

The committee is active in promoting Lewis and encouraging research and discussions since the University's 1997 acquisition of the Brown Collection, the third best collection of C. S. Lewis works, according to David Neuhouser, chairman of the committee and a professor of mathematics.

Their largest effort to date was a seminar held in the fall of 1997. A resounding success, Colloquium '97 had over 100 participants including Taylor alumni and Lewis experts from across the United States and from as far away as Japan and Saudi Arabia. Colloquium '99, Neuhouser said, is expected to attract an even larger audience.

Geared toward those with a keen interest in Lewis, the Colloquium also is open to the public. According to Neuhouser, the event should prove to be an important one for students as it exposes them to the works of Lewis and to the ideas of speakers from around the world.

Papers are invited on any topic that concerns C. S. Lewis and his "friends," Owen Barfield, George MacDonald, Dorothy L. Sayers, J.R.R. Tolkien, Charles Williams and other related authors, said Neuhouser.

Up to 27 papers will be accepted for nine projected sessions on Saturday, Nov. 13; papers should take no more than 15 minutes to read.

Send complete manuscripts with SASE to: Richard Hill, Program Chair; Frances White Ewbank Colloquium; Taylor University; Department of English: 236 West Reade Ave.; Upland, IN 46989-1001. –*Yolanda Delevaux '01*

Faculty pursue academic growth in and out of class

Dr. Alexandria Armstrong, associate professor of Education, presented "To the Mall and Beyond: A Task Force with a Unique P-12 and College Partnership," at the Association of Teacher Educators. **Dr. Joan Kitterman** and Jackie Hubbard also participated in this presentation.

Dr. Dennis Hensley, associate professor of English, authored "How to Manage Your Time," released by Warner Press in 1992. This book was translated into Russian and released in the former Soviet Union in Dec. 1998, by Source of Life Press.

Dr. Bill Heth, chair, Biblical Studies, Christian Education and Philosophy, led the department's annual J-term trip to Israel and Greece. Thirty-seven students from the Upland campus participated in the trip.

Dr. John M. Moore, associate professor of Biology, presented "Mitochondrial Mysteries, Demystified," at the National Association of Biology Teachers National Convention in Nevada and the National Science Teachers Convention in Boston.

Bruce Pratt, associate professor of Physical Ed. and Human Performance, completed his doctoral exams in Educational Administration at Ball State University in Nov. 1998. He is currently working on his dissertation.

Michael R. Smith, associate professor of Communication Arts, has been elected for Who's Who Among America's Teachers, 1998; Who's Who in Communication for 1998-1999; and Who's Who in Entertainment for 1998-1999.

Dr. Jim Spiegel, associate professor of Philosophy, was elected to Who's Who Among American Teachers, 1998. He presented a paper at the national meeting of the Evangelical Philosophical Society in Nov. 1998. Spiegel recently has published reviews of several texts and has completed a manuscript for a book to be entitled "Hypocrisy and Moral Weakness."

Dr. Don Taylor, chair of the department of Physical Ed. and Human Performance, is part of a committee formed to seek accreditation for TUU's Athletic Training majors. Accreditation will allow students to take the national exam for their field.

Dr. Cynthia Tyner, assistant professor of Education, presented an in-service for the Head Start faculty of Grant County on "Developmentally Appropriate Math." Tyner also made this presentation for the AEVC of Allen County, Ind.

Dr. Colleen Warren, associate professor of English, participated in the Houghton Institute of Integrative Studies, June 1998. She served as chair for the Midwest Christianity & Literature Conference, April 17, 1998, where she presented "Uncovering Sexts in Two Plath Poems."

Professor, students research discipleship

Dr. Stephen Snyder, associate professor of Psychology, is conducting research on discipleship. The purpose of the research is to study how Christians help others mature in Christ from the model of discipleship He has given us. Snyder's long-term goals are to present seminars on discipleship and improve discipleship ministry. He hopes to eventually write a book on scriptural principles and empirical findings on discipleship.

A questionnaire that addressed preparation, motivation, philosophy, procedures, time management, difficulties, personal faith and growth was sent to over 50 people. Snyder asked questions regarding demographics, church involvement, personal development, goals, the number of people they work with and how often they meet together. Surveys also are being sent to the individuals who are discipled by the subjects of the first survey.

Megan Rash '98, Tiffany Heimbaugh '99, Andy Louckes '00, and Chris Logan are assisting Snyder in his research.

If you are currently discipling someone and would like to participate in the research, feel free to e-mail Dr. Snyder at STSNYDER@tayloru.edu, or write to him in care of Psychology Dept., Taylor University, 236 W Reade Ave., Upland, IN 46989-1001.

WBCL listeners help station meet financial goal

WBCL Station Manager Char Binkley expressed thankfulness for Sharathon results.

Since the WBCL radio network became part of Taylor's ministry, listeners have been assured of finding reliable personalities, solid Bible teaching and encouraging music to take them through the day.

Once a year, however, WBCL takes time out of its consistent routine to do something different — something to ensure that the station will continue to be faithfully available to its listeners in the coming year. The two-day Sharathon, which has happened every year since 1976, was held on January 12 and 13.

On Tuesday, Jan. 12, the event began at 6:00 a.m. and continued until 10:00 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 13 was the marathon day, with Sharathon lasting from 6:00 a.m. until midnight. Volunteers arrived at the station to answer phones, sort and file the pledges called in by listeners, prepare 1999 calendars to be mailed to supporters, and enjoy the excitement as they watched God provide for the station's operation in the next year.

At the end of the broadcast day on Jan. 13, the pledge total was $918,034, several thousand short of the $950,000 goal. Traditionally, however, WBCL has counted all pledges received in the days following the Sharathon in the total. In the nine days after Sharathon, additional pledges were received, bringing the total to $961,315.

"Isn't the faithfulness of God something to behold," says Char Binkley, station manager. "Now, as we face 1999 together, we ask for your prayers that at every step of the journey we will be totally obedient to what God wants to accomplish."

God's provision for the station was evident in small ways throughout the Sharathon. The station experienced electrical problems, but not one piece of equipment vital to Sharathon operations was affected. The studio used for the Sharathon broadcast was in perfect order, while the main studio used for regular broadcasting was completely down.

"We would walk through the station," says Binkley, "and say, 'Oh, look — that computer's down. But that's okay — we weren't planning on using it anyway!'"–*Lindy Beam '99*

TUFW establishes community council

After several years of thought, a TUFW campus Advisory Council has come to fruition. The purpose of the Council is to gain a helpful source of evaluation from "outsiders" and to expand TUFW's friend-base with the help of council members as they put Taylor in connection with individuals and organizations that Taylor does not currently have relationships with.

The Council is comprised of business people, representatives from churches and retired individuals.

The Advisory Council serves as an instrumental tool to provide TUFW with a fresh perspective on the campus' integral programs and operations. TUFW will benefit by gathering valuable input and insight. Sherri Harter, associate vice president for Development, concludes, "As Proverbs states, 'Go to the wise and seek wisdom.' That is what we are doing; seeking wisdom to do what we do even better."–*Lisa Paul '92*

Lilly grant funds project to benefit Indiana school children and Taylor students

Committed to serving the kingdom at large, TUFW is embarking on a new project to aid kindergarten through twelfth grade students. With funds from an almost one million dollar Lilly Endowment, Inc., grant, Dr. Randall Dodge, director of the Samuel Morris Scholars program, and Dr. Joseph Jones, associate professor of Criminal Justice, are working to establish three initiatives to prepare students for the college experience.

The first initiative partners TUFW students with community children for mentoring and tutoring. Dodge hopes for 75 Taylor students to commit to working with these children.

"In addition to benefiting the school children, this program will allow Taylor students to grow and minister to at-risk kids," says Jones.

A second initiative will bring community middle school students to the Fort Wayne campus for the Kids to College summer program. Students attending the program will participate in integrated classes in a collegiate format.

"We want to help them understand what college is like, and help them envision themselves as college students," Dodge says.

A Village Scholarship program, the third initiative, also is being established. Taylor representatives will work with Fort Wayne area churches to identify students who have college capability but lack the resources to attend. A partnership with the identifying church will provide scholarship money and academic preparation for these students, making a college education at either Taylor campus possible.

Dodge anticipates partnering with 30 churches to provide 30 scholarships per year for the next three years.

"We believe the program has value for the community," Dodge says.–*Amber Anderson*

Taylor Tomorrow UPDATE

Dr. Jay Kesler
President

$50 million point reached in Taylor Tomorrow Capital Campaign

Run, Run, Run! This could be a simple by-line that describes the schedule of many people. The actual running wouldn't be so bad if we knew where we were going and had a plan to get there. I have always admired long distance runners – they have an essential characteristic of discipline. Even though they are capable of quick bursts of speed, they must keep their focus on the long-term goal so as not to "burn-out" and never finish the race.

This is how I view the efforts of the ***Taylor Tomorrow*** Capital Campaign. Our planning for this important effort for Taylor University more clearly resembles that for a marathon than for a sprint. The unique thing about the ***Taylor Tomorrow*** race, however, is that it is not being run alone. Many people, namely faculty, staff, board members, alumni, parents and friends have run a lap or more to bring us to the incredible position of arriving at the $50 million mark of the $75 million campaign goal.

Our goal is to finish and finish strong! I have confidence in our Taylor team. Be assured this race is not being run in vain. This campaign marathon is a means of keeping Taylor focused on the ultimate goal as expressed by the Apostle Paul in Philippians 4:13 and 14, "Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus."

PROGRESS OF THE CAMPAIGN

CASH RECEIPTED:	PLEDGES OUTSTANDING:	DEFERRED GIFTS:	GRAND TOTAL (as of 1/31/99)
$24,822,000	$13,163,000	$11,193,000	$50,541,000

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Progress

Phonathon '98

Rebecca Riggs '00 and Carey Dupy '98 were two of many students who contacted alumni and friends during Phonathon '98.

Annual funds provide daily support for University

The cornerstone of all giving to Taylor University is the Taylor Fund (Upland) and the Annual Fund (Fort Wayne). This faithful support of alumni and friends helps current Taylor students with essential financial aid assistance.

As a vital part of the ***Taylor Tomorrow*** Capital Campaign, the Taylor Fund and Annual Fund will generate 17 percent of the $75 million goal over a seven-year period (1996-2003). During the first two and a half years of the campaign, $3.8 million in annual funds have been given toward the goal.

Every gift is important. The gift analysis to the left indicates the number of gifts and dollar amounts given to both funds since 1996. "We are extremely grateful for alumni and friends who consistently give month after month, year after year to the annual funds," says Joyce Helyer, associate vice president for Development on the Upland campus. " It is one way our donors can invest in the lives of today's students."

Sherri Harter, associate vice president for Development on the Fort Wayne campus, conveyed confidence in the generosity of donors who assist Taylor students and programs. The historic Taylor Fund and the Annual Fund express the essence of the ***Taylor Tomorrow*** campaign — *Anchored in the past ... Focused on the future.*

	Donors	Gifts
Up to $100	8,612	$394,000
$101 to $500	5,775	$1,319,000
$501 to $1,000	466	$560,000
$1,001 to $5,000	559	$861,000
$5,001 and up	75	$672,000
	15,487	$3,806,000

Gift Analysis - Taylor Fund and Annual Fund

July 1996 - January 1999

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Profile

Cox brings business experience to campaign

Paul and Kay Cox
vice chair, leadership gift phase

Paul Cox '73 is a man who knows about business. As a Taylor student, he majored in business administration. He and his wife, Kay, now own their own business, Heartland Traditions Incorporated, which markets Longaberger products in 43 states. And Cox is still committed to the business of Taylor University, where he serves as a division vice chair for the leadership phase of the ***Taylor Tomorrow*** Capital Campaign.

But Cox's connection to the University goes much deeper than mere business. He is involved because he is grateful for the growth he experienced as a student.

"In life, a person makes many decisions," says Cox. "A few of them are extremely important and have great influence on the rest of our lives. My decision to attend Taylor was one of those decisions. Because I look back on my Taylor experience with such meaning and value, it only makes sense that I continue my involvement with Taylor."

The child of Taylor graduates (Dr. Robert Cox '45 and Ruth Coughenour Cox '47), Cox maintained connections with the University by serving as the president of the National Alumni Council before becoming involved with the campaign. He and his wife also established a scholarship that is awarded annually.

"Paul's family background, along with his days on campus as a student, have made a rich backdrop for his current involvement with Taylor," says George Glass, associate vice president for Alumni Relations. "His experiences on the National Alumni Council added to his knowledge and interest of Taylor and her plans for the future."

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Praise

Gene L. Rupp
vice president for Development

Reaching the "impossible dream"

As I'm writing these comments for you, I have just finished my summary to the Board of Trustees for the January meeting. As I look at the financial section of that report, I am pleased and thankful. God has blessed us abundantly in the first six months of the fiscal year. With the $8.4 million from the Lilly Endowment, Inc., a total of over $13 million has been receipted in the first six months. This is almost unimaginable for us at Taylor University.

As I look at our capital campaign goal of $75,000,000. We have reached a plateau which for many was the "impossible dream." But what we dream with God becomes a reality. All I can say is thank you, thank you, thank you!

It's humbling beyond words to see how God has worked during the first years of the ***Taylor Tomorrow*** Capital Campaign. It is my earnest prayer that we continue to be "*Anchored in the past ... Focused on the future.*" God has blessed and now we need to be good stewards of His gifts.

May God bless you and be near you. Please remember us in prayer as we continue sharing the Taylor story.

Pray for the Taylor Tomorrow Campaign

1 Corinthians 4:2

"Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful." (NIV)

Taylor Tomorrow campaign

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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MLK Day celebration promotes responsibility

Both Taylor campuses celebrated Martin Luther King Jr. Day by canceling classes and holding speeial sessions for discussion and worship. The day's events were part of the University's continued efforts to honor King's life and message.

On the Upland campus, "Lifting Every Voice: Giving New Life to the Dream" was selected as the day's theme. "Our theme fits Dr. King's life mission," says Dr. Tom Jones, chair of the committee that planned the day's events on the Upland campus. "His life focused on the task of enabling those whose voices had been stifled or ignored to become part of the discussions that shape a community."

The messages presented by guest speakers and session leaders focused around this goal as well. On the Upland campus, Dr. Rick Gray, TUFW assistant professor of Christian Ministries, began the day with a prayer breakfast. Gray shared his own experiences and reminded the audience that every individual has a responsibility to pursue reconciliation.

"As we move into the next millennium we need to move together as brothers or we'll perish together as fools," Gray said.

The morning ehapel service was led by Charles Gilmer, national director of intercultural resources for Campus Crusade for Christ. Gilmer stressed the need for the Church to respond to racism.

"When the sin of racism and partiality is called out of darkness and denial ... God will heal His people," Gilmer said.

In Fort Wayne, Yvette Jones, TUFW assistant director for corporate relations, encouraged attendees at the prayer breakfast to reaeh for their own dreams. In Fort Wayne's ehapel service, Dr. Charles Ware focused on bringing the races to a biblieal understanding of God's vision for unity in the body of Christ.–*Sarah Spinney '01 and Amber Anderson*

Student study examines social effects of Internet use

While many fear the Internet's negative side effects, a new study finds that the Internet is actually having a positive impact on Taylor's campus. Over the course of 1998's fall semester, teams of students, under the guidance of soeiology professor Steven Bird, held a series of presentations dealing with Internet usage at Taylor.

In order to collect the necessary data, the students conducted a survey. The results found that in general, student's average Internet usage per week was typieally constrained from one to three hours. Several trends were brought to light by the survey, including data which showed that males use the Internet more often than females, and freshmen more often than seniors.

The study explored how the Internet impacted Taylor students' spiritual lives, and also examined the students' perceptions of Information Serviees' Internet filter. The group's findings concluded that since the network's installation in September, there was "no significant change in Taylor's spiritual life as a result of Internet usage." Only 3.6 percent of Taylor students felt that the Internet was a stumbling block for them. However, the survey also revealed that 41 percent felt the Internet caused others to stumble.

The journalism computer lab provides students with access to the Internet.

Another aspect of the study focused on the effects of the Internet in relation to degrees of social involvement. Of the majority of students who spent no more than three hours per week on the Internet, 74.6 percent rated themselves at a moderate level of social involvement. –*Michael Graham Schueler '02*

Alumni publish tribute to beloved professor in Wall Street Journal

News of Rick Seaman's sudden death traveled quickly, reuniting Business Department alumni who remembered Seaman as a earing and inspirational professor.

According to Mark Siegelin '92, a former student of Seaman's, Charity Carpenter '99, remembered Seaman mentioning that the pinnacle of his eareer would be seeing his name in the Wall Street Journal. The idea to fulfill Seaman's dream eaught fire, and a four-by-five ineh tribute was placed in the newspaper's Jan. 15 issue. The memorial read, "Thank you for being our teacher, our mentor and our friend. We can never repay all you have given us." It was signed "Taylor University Alumni."

A notice of this size eosts approximately $3,000. The money to purchase the memorial was collected from over 30 alumni. Siegelin, Greg Flick '93 and Andy Harbour '95 led the collection process.

After nearly 30 years of service, Jeanne Bullock, performing arts/ special events coordinator, is leaving Taylor. Bullock, whose husband Ray retired from teaching at Taylor, plans to travel and looks forward to volunteering. This fall the Communication Arts Department honored Bullock by performing "The Butler Did It," one of her favorite mysteries.

Young teams benefit from experienced coaches

After graduating several seniors, Taylor's basketball coaches find themselves in a teaching mode, guiding and developing the new players.With ten freshmen on the women's team and seven on the men's, coaches Tena Krause and Paul Patterson are building strong teams for the future.

For Coach Krause, the hill became a little steeper when the injury bug bit seven of her eleven regulars. Coach Patterson's Trojans were not immune either. Just in time for the start of conference play, all-MCC forward Derek Taatjes '99 suffered a stress fracture in his leg, sidelining him indefinitely. In spite of the injuries, both teams have hovered around the .500 mark for the year.

"Sometimes life doesn't deal you the hand you want," reflects Krause, "I'm hoping when this is all over, the players will learn what perseverance is all about." Krause, whose teams have won over 90 games in the past four years, uses the past success in both the recruiting and coaching processes. Recently, when the Lady Trojans took the floor for practice, they were greeted by newly-graduated players Natalie Steele, a four time All-American in basketball, and Shelly Gibbs, a part-time starter last year. "The freshmen want to be part of the tradition," Krause states.

For Patterson, the search for leadership and maturity is one that has been ongoing for the past several years. "It's not a one-year thing ... leadership comes from a passion to do something well." Both coaches place emphasis on the game's mental aspects.

There are signs that this is happening for the Trojans, who shocked the defending national champion Bethel Pilots, 88-82. After leading much of the game, the Trojans lost the lead – not once but twice – late in the game. Both times the Trojans regrouped and retook the lead. Trailing by three with time running out, the Pilots came down the floor to try for a game-tying shot but Brian Ross '00 intercepted a pass and drove the ball for a game-sealing lay in.

The Lady Trojans have seen several close losses come at the hands of nationally-ranked opponents. Referencing Spencer Johnson's book, "The Precious Present," Krause tells her players to take things one day at a time. "If we live in the present, do our best, and not live in the past," she states, "whatever adversity we face, we can hold our heads high."

Patterson and Krause both feel despite the growing pains of this year, they are within a year or two of good things happening in their respective programs. "Everyone would like to have a winning season," says Krause.

Patterson adds, "I feel as excited about coaching as I ever have."–*Jim Garringer*

Student-athlete ministers on and off the court

In recounting the steps that have led to their greatest achievements, many successful people can pinpoint the moment in their lives that laid the foundation for later triumphs. According to sophomore Erin Hutton, the defining moment in her young life is one of her earliest memories of playing basketball.

Growing up in Jefferson City, Mo., Hutton remembers the day she took on her father in a one-on-one basketball competition. Whether she won or lost the game is for "selective memory" to decide, but that day Hutton began her journey toward becoming a fierce competitor both on and off the court.

A biochemistry major, Hutton is known for her dual role as an outstanding student (she has a 3.84 G.P.A.) and as an aggressive forward on the Lady Trojans basketball team, whose rebounding efforts helped propel them to a winning 20-15 record last year.

Sophomore forward Erin Hutton shoots in traffic for the Lady Trojans in a game against St. Francis.

Balancing her outstanding academic and athletic achievements, Hutton's most cherished distinction is being named a child of God. Born into a family that emphasizes the importance of an intimate relationship with God, Hutton made the step of surrendering her life to Christ at an early age. Extremely close to both of her parents, Hutton considers herself to be incredibly blessed to have her family.

With a tight schedule that has her running straight from class to practice, to the study hall and finally back to the dorm for some much needed sleep, Hutton feels that it is important that she "bloom where she is planted."

Her ministry, as she sees it, is focused on her teammates and opponents. She views herself as an encourager and as someone who her teammates can turn to when things get a little rough. It is Hutton's hope that others will be drawn to Christ as they see her example, both on and off the court.–*Yolanda Deleveaux '01*

Class of '48 sets giving record

Fifty years after their graduation, the students of Taylor's class of '48 are making history as the class with the highest giving percentage, 98 percent. The class met together at Homecoming, reuniting a generous group of graduates that donated the largest class gift the University has ever received, $77,950, according to Nelson Rediger, associate director of the William Taylor Foundation. This breaks the previous record of 94 percent and $63,000 which was held by the class of 1943.

Rediger stresses that this class' gift is special, not so much for the amount of the gift, but because of the percentage of participation. Only one member was unable to participate in the class effort. In addition, this class had some especially generous individuals. Out of the 55 members of this class, 18 were President's Associates, donating gifts of at least $1,000 to the University. This also distinguishes the Class of '48 in that they have the largest percentage of President's Associates of any class.

In planning their class gift, these individuals were notably organized. Plans began five years ago as the Class of '48 met for their 45th anniversary. Six class members (Fran Willert, Ruth Rogers, Dorothy Bullis, Jual Evans, Clyde Trumbauer and Alyce Cleveland) were elected to a committee in charge of fundraising. Rediger identifies Cleveland as the "guiding light" of this project, and credits her determination as the reason for the 98 percent participation rate.

The class gift will be used for various purposes. Some will go to the Taylor University Library to help increase and update resources, and some will stay with the William Taylor Foundation. A sizeable amount established the Stone-Hite Family Endowed Scholarship. Most, however, will end up in the building fund of Taylor's $75 million Capital Campaign. Rediger believes this gift will probably be used to construct a specific room within a future building. The room will be dedicated to the Class of '48 for its loving generosity and dedication to Taylor University.

—Kelly Fonfara '99

Editor offers thanks to survey participants

As his last project, former magazine editor Randy Dillinger '95 conducted a readership survey. The survey was sent to 1,600 randomly selected recipients.

For the most part, the results of the survey were favorable. Many indicated that TAYLOR MAGAZINE is one of their favorite periodicals. Respondents noted that the Alumni Notes section is the most read portion of the magazine. Participants also indicated that they would like to see more articles written by alumni, faculty and students.

The editorial committee wishes to thank all those who completed the survey. The current editor is carefully considering the results, which will be used as the contents of the magazine are reviewed.

If you did not receive a survey but would like to offer comments or suggestions, please contact Amber Anderson, TAYLOR MAGAZINE Editor, at editor@tayloru.edu, or 236 W. Reade Ave., Upland, IN, 46989-1001.

Seeing Double?

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Board chair, husband create unitrust for Taylor

When Joe Kerlin met his Youth Conference Publicity Cochairman 47 years ago, he couldn't have known he had also met his partner for life. Rosie Baugh was bright-eyed and enthusiastic, and amusedly aware that a friend had conspired for Joe to serve with her on the Youth Conference Cabinet, certain they would be a good match.

Youth Conference publicity was exceptional that year, and requests for reservations nearly doubled the number of students who could attend. Looking back, Rosie laughingly recalls that this taught her something which has stood in good stead all the years of their marriage – "Joe could always come up with more ideas than I could get the work done for." Joe cheerfully responds, agreeing that they have been a "great team."

After nearly 44 years of marriage, the Kerlins still stay busy, with more ideas and activities than their busy calendars comfortably allow. Joe '56 is a medical doctor, the senior partner in a family practice group in Danville, Ind. Rosie '55 is the chairman of Taylor University's Board of Trustees and an active volunteer for her local school district, several para-church ministries, community advisory committees and her church. The overriding principle of the Kerlin marriage has been service – to each other, to their family members, the community and the Kingdom.

The Kerlins' commitment to service is demonstrated in their recent creation of a unitrust to benefit Taylor. The Kerlin's unitrust, along with a trust established by Joe's brother Tracey, will allow for the endowment of a chair for the Biblical Studies Department. This recent decision is a significant financial commitment for the Kerlins, but their ties to Taylor University go much deeper than their pocketbooks. Convinced that Taylor is training students for service for the Kingdom of God, the Kerlins were happy to support the endowment of a chair, freeing other monies to be used on Taylor needs such as faculty salaries or student scholarships.

A unitrust is a vehicle which allows donors to relinquish ownership of assets, such as stocks or real estate, to a charitable organization like Taylor. The donors receive an income from the donation for the rest of their lives, or for a determined amount of time, and can also take a charitable deduction on their income tax. Additionally, the donor is not subject to capital gains taxes or estate taxes for the assets. "The unitrust fit our financial goals and the goals of the University," Joe says.

Joe and Rosie Kerlin

The Kerlins funded their unitrust with farmland inherited from Joe's parents. "Disposing of the land in giving this gift to Taylor is something about which they would be very pleased," Joe says. Rev. Clarence Kerlin, Joe's father, was an expository preacher who was committed to making the Bible relevant to lay people. Endowing a chair in Biblical Studies provides the Kerlins with the opportunity to honor his memory.

"Our parents are very hands-on Christians," Rosie says. "For them, and now for us, Christianity has to be translated into 'visiting the orphans and widows in their distress' (helping those in need), and keeping ourselves from being polluted by the world (James 1:27). Dad Kerlin would feel this is a tangible way to do that, since Taylor has remained faithful in her mission."

The Kerlins considered other ministries to benefit from the unitrust, but they determined an investment in Taylor would yield the wisest return on their donation. "My feelings for Taylor are strong because of the tremendous good that the graduates do all over the world," Joe says.

"With the kind of down-to-earth education the students receive, they are able to make a difference in the world." Rosie agrees, stating that she believes students go out well prepared to use their Taylor education while they "minister the redemptive love of Jesus Christ to a world in need" in unique ways.

Working with Ken Smith and Nelson Rediger of the William Taylor Foundation was a very positive experience for Joe and Rosie. The Foundation is the estate planning arm of the University that assists alumni and friends of Taylor in planned giving.

"The unitrust is one of the few ways left to maximize tax benefits," explains Joe. "Too often Christians don't know how to take advantage of the financial ins-and-outs which the present-day economy and tax structure allow. Therefore we lose opportunities that are there for us."

The representatives of the William Taylor Foundation helped the Kerlins understand the tax benefits. "They made it very easy for us," explains Rosie.

For information on creating a unitrust or other charitable donations, please call Ken Smith at the William Taylor Foundation, (800) 882-3456, Ext. 5239.–*Amber Anderson*

From the chairman of the Board

At the May 1998 meeting, the Taylor University Board of Trustees, requested the assistance of PCAP (the President's Council for Assessment, Long-Range and Strategic Planning) in its effort to begin the leadership transition process. The need for this was based on President Kesler's desire for a change in responsibilities at the end of June 2000.

At the winter board meeting of the Taylor University Board of Trustees, Jan. 28 and 29, 1999, deliberations included the presentation of the leadership transition report from PCAP.

The Board requested that all Taylor constituencies have input regarding critical questions that the University may face in leadership transition. This was systematically and professionally carried out during the past eight months by PCAP. Forums were held and input was solicited on both campuses as faculty, staff, student leaders and members of both Fort Wayne and Upland's Alumni Councils and Parents Cabinets met. In the Forums, critical issues relative to transition were discussed, as well as desired qualifications, characteristics and profile of the future leader for Taylor University.

The Board spent much time during the remainder of the winter meeting digesting, discussing and deliberating over the PCAP material. Accepting and approving the PCAP Report ends what the Taylor Board considers Phase I of the transition process.

The Board is now entering Phase II of the process. This will include the appointment of the Search and Screen Committee by the chairman of the Board. This committee will elect its chairman from within and will determine procedures and the process from which it will work. When said appointments are complete, every effort will be made to communicate effectively to Taylor constituents.–*G. Roselyn Kerlin '55, chairman of the Taylor University Board of Trustees*

Board of Trustees sets plan for coming year

The winter meeting of Taylor's Board of Trustees set the course for the University's future, as board members and administrators discussed tuition and fees, building projects and the progress of the campaign.

Provost Dr. Daryl Yost was pleased to announce the lowest adjustment in tuition and fees in recent years. The all-inclusive price of attending Taylor Upland will rise to $19,748, a 3.94 percent adjustment over the current academic year. For Taylor Fort Wayne, an increase of 4.22 percent will bring the cost to $16,920.

Yost informed the Board on the state of current building projects at TUFW. He anticipates a ground-breaking on one or both of the projects at the Annual Meeting of the Board, held this May in Fort Wayne. Though Yost would like to begin construction on both projects, this is dependent on the amount of money identified to support the projects, and on the ability to reduce the price tag on the initial estimates for the student commons and library addition.

The Board also took time to praise God and celebrate the announcement of the new campaign total, $50.5 million. More information can be found in the campaign update insert of TAYLOR MAGAZINE.

Where in the World is Taylor University?

Let's face it...not everyone who desires a Taylor education can get to Upland or Fort Wayne, Indiana. Jobs can't always be put on hold. Family responsibilities can't always be fulfilled from a distance.

Wherever You Are.

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Alumni Notes

1931

Elisabeth (Chaney) Hampton has been working 10 years with a coffee importer from Malawi, East Africa. She is the only mediary between him and customers in the States. She also has a small printing business that she has had for 40 years. As Elisabeth states, "All this keeps me busy, but I see no reason to retire yet since I am only 89." Harry, her husband of 63 years, is a retired minister. They live at 9747 SW Appaloosa Pl, Beaverton, OR 97008.

1932

Reuben Judson has moved to Mark Twain Apts, 147 W Gray St, Apt 301, Elmira, NY 14901. He & late wife Mary served in the Philippines for many years.

1937

John Vayhinger presented a paper at Cambridge Univ (England) in Aug 1998 titled, "Two Theories of the Cosmos's Origin: An Organic, Naturalistic Evolution (neo-Darwin) and the Genesis Description, Poetic and Theological, Inspired," at the American Scientific Affiliation International Conference with Biologists and Physicists of Europe.

1940

Wayne Yeater, a United Methodist (UM) minister, retired from full-time work in 1986. He is currently on the staff of the United Community Church in Sun City Center, FL. He serves as minister of visitation for the United Church of Christ congregation. He & wife Eileen live at 1512 Dedham Dr, Sun City Center, FL 33573.

1948

Leon & **Martha (Johnson) Strunk** retired from their ministry in Brazil and now reside at 266 Merrimon Ave, Asheville, NC 28801. They are adjusting to life in the States. They enjoy providing music for chapel services, and are budding artists in watercolor and chalk!

Attention Class of 1949
Your 50th Class Reunion will be held on Homecoming Weekend, October 8-10, 1999. Plan now to attend—and watch for further details coming soon!

1950

Elizabeth (Stanley) Pilkey married Donald Herberger on July 18, 1998, in Lockport, NY. They reside at 6995 Chestnut Ridge, Lockport, NY 14094.

1951

Robert R. Schenck, M.D. is founder of the Hand Surgery Endowment and president since its establishment in Jan 1997. Robert is currently director, section of hand surgery, Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center, Chicago, IL. He & wife Marci Whitney-Schenck live in Chicago.

1952

Rev. Sheila Thompson, wife of **Rev. Alfred Thompson**, passed away Sept 1, 1998. A United Methodist minister, she was founding director of the New York Annual Conference Wellspring Institute for Spiritual Formation and director of the Open Door Healing Ministries. Aside from her husband, surviving are sons **Leonard Robbins '87** and Eric Robbins. Alfred lives at 11 Barns Ln, East Hampton, NY 11937.

● **Claudia (Groth) Vail** is retired and traveling—Israel twice, Europe tour to 8 countries, China, Costa Rica and Hawaii on several occasions. She worships with a spirit-filled congregation of Messianic Jewish/Gentile believers. Her life is full, and her children and grandchild live close by. She is even learning to use the Internet! Claudia lives in San Jose, CA.

1960

Charles & Barbara (Hanawalt x'61) Ford were deeply saddened by the death of their son Lane on Sept 20, 1998. Surviving Lane were his wife Lore, daughter Arien (16) and son Brithon (15). Chuck & Barb live at 21 Magnolia Dr, Kennebunkport, ME 04046.

The Art Deyo family

1962

Art & Lois (Staub x'63) Deyo continue their ministry with Youth for Christ World Outreach Division. Their address is

Class of 1957

Nancy Lou (DeLay) Dodge passed away on Jan 11, 1999. She lived in Inverness, Fla., where she was a teacher, member of Unity of Citrus County, Citrus Memorial Hospital volunteer, member of the Citrus County Medical Society Auxiliary, member of the Citrus County Art League, and quilter. Surviving are father-in-law **Bishop Ralph Dodge '31**, husband **Dr. Ralph Edward Dodge, Jr. '57**, two sons **Dr. Randall Dodge '81** and Dr. Jeffrey Alan Dodge, one daughter **Amy (Dodge '88) Alford**, a sister Jean Livingston, and 8 grandchildren. Memorials may be made to the Nancy L. Dodge Memorial Fund, Unity of Citrus County, 1515 White Lake Dr, Inverness, FL 34450, or a favorite charity.

17059 Motsenbocker Way, Parker, CO 80134.

1963

Chris Beeson x recently retired from Dana Corp after 35 years and has been elected auditor of Wayne County, IN. He began a 4-yr term on Jan 1. He & wife Nancy live in Hagerstown, IN. ● Paul & **Gloria (Griffin) Reading** live at 3 Lockhaven Ct, Edwardsville, IL 62025. Email is gloriareading@yahoo.com.

1966

Mark & Becky (Nunley '68) Clough have moved to 2301 Cedarwood Way, Ft Wayne, IN 46804. ● **Kent Fishel** was named Coach-of-the-Year by the Indiana High School Tennis Coaches Association. He is the tennis coach at Concordia HS, Ft. Wayne, IN.

1967

Pete Carlson passed away after unanticipated heart bypass surgery in Indianapolis while visiting family and friends over the Christmas holiday. His wife Debbie survives him. Her address is 37 Grand Ave, Suwanee, GA 30174. Also surviving are 2 daughters, Amy and Sheri, and brothers Roger, Paul, and **Don Carlson '79**. Memorials may be made to the Pete Carlson Memorial Fund at Taylor University, 236 W Reade Ave, Upland, IN 46989. ● **David Kleinschmidt** has been named president of the Cuyahoga Valley Christian Academy, Cuyahoga Falls, OH. He has 30 years of experience in professional education, 20 of which have been in administration. David & wife **Kay (Peterson x'69)** live in Fairlawn, OH.

1968

Jack Baumgardner has begun his 30th year teaching elementary PE. The past few yrs he has been studying to be a minister with the Reformed Presbyterian Church. He will receive his license in April 1999. Jack & wife Karen live at 1705 W 51st St, Indianapolis, IN 46208. ● **Sally (Thoma) Beers** was elected to the board of directors of Aldersgate Renewal Ministries which is an affiliate of the board of discipleship of the United Methodist Church. Daughter **Catherine TUFW '97 married Matt Cwanek '97** in Ft Wayne. Husband Dale works for Alltel Phone Co. They live in Saegertown, PA 16433. ● Dave & **Marilee (Martin) Breeding** traveled around the world with the Semester at Sea program sponsored by the Univ of Pittsburgh. They were gone 100 days, returning just before Christmas to enjoy "winter" in Southern California! ● **Tom Dillon** has joined the law firm of Roetzel & Andress, L.P.A. The firm has 130 attorneys in 9 cities, and Tom is the partner-in-charge of the Columbus, OH office. Tom & wife Roxanne live in Dublin, OH. ● **Dottie (Snyder x) Hargett** is director of public relations for the Jefferson City Medical Society. Prior to that she was director of practice services. Dottie & husband Dwight have 2 daughters, Candace (24) and Angela (22). They reside at 2706 Knob View Ave, New Albany, IN 47150. ● Jim & **Karen (Motz) Heck** continue working as missionaries on the US/Mexico border at McAllen, TX. Jim helps in the coordination of 12 radio stations along that 1200 mile border. Karen teaches Bible to preteens and teenagers at Covenant Christian Academy. ● **Paul Martin x** is executive director (and licensed psychologist) for Wellspring Retreat and Resource Center, the world's only residential treatment facility for ex-cult members. He & wife **Barbara (Kirchner x'67)** reside in Athens, OH with their 10-yr-old son Timothy. Barbara is the principal of Grace Academy, the local Christian elementary school. ● **Barb (Coffing) Matthews** is an auditor for the State Bd of Accounts and also a choir director/organist at a local church. Husband Steven teaches music, computers and flying. They live in Evansville, IN. ● **Priscilla Robb** still resides at 1275 Marshall Rd, Boulder, CO 80303. She gave up the high stress life in law firms after 15 yrs and is now a "pet-sitter." She loves it! ● **Terry & Shirley (Berty FWBC '64) Snyder** recently moved to Corry, PA where Terry is the senior pastor of The First United Methodist Church. The couple is still involved in doing marriage

Paul, Barb and Timothy Martin

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enrichment retreats and Terry is a trainer for Prepare/Enrich. Email is t-man.bird @juno.com. ● **Bob & Priscilla (Ten Eyck) Wynkoop** have relocated to CO where Bob continues to serve as dir of compensation and benefits for Ball Corp. Priscilla sadly left Taylor where she was dir of development research and grants and dir of parent programs. Their new address is 2575 W 107th Pl, Westminster, CO 80234.

1970

Larry Backland passed away after a 2-year battle with brain cancer. Surviving are his wife Vicki and brother **Michael x'73**.

1971

Luther & Barbara **Carson** live at 9318 Snowfall Spur, Akron, OH 44313. Email is LJCarson @aol.com. ● **Jack Hinkle** resides at 1615 Ritterskamp Ave, Vincennes, IN 47591. Email is jthinkle @hotmail.com. ● **Dr. Raymond Maddox**, owner of Maddox Family Dental Practice, has been elected to the position of Indiana Dental Association Pres for 1998-99. He & wife Kay live in Hartford City, IN.

Nancy Schmidt Roush

1973

Nancy Schmidt Roush of Shook, Hardy & Bacon, has been named in the 1999-2000 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*. Nancy is in trusts and estates in the Overland Park, KS office.

1974

Ray & Marcia **de la Haye** continue to serve at Kent Academy in Nigeria. Email is mrh-ka@maf.org. ● Joel & **Janell (Tharp) Hibbs** have moved to Page, AZ. Joel is pastor of the First Baptist Church and Janell teaches math at Page HS. Their children are Jesse (15), Jodi (13) and Jason (11). The family's address is PO Box 3838, Page AZ 86040. Email is jhibbs@pageud.k12.az.us. ● Gary & **Christine (Edmonds) Ozburn** are the proud parents of Alexander Edmonds born July 30, 1996 during the Summer Olympics in Atlanta. Gary managed to use a few of their Olympic tickets, but Christine was limited to watching on TV. They look forward to visiting TU with Alex during a future homecoming to meet Christine's roommates and longtime friends. They live at 2864 W Roxboro Rd, Atlanta, GA 30324. Email is wizardprop@mindspring.com.

1975

Dr. Roy Finkenbine was promoted to assoc professor of history and named dir of the Black Abolitionist Archives at the University of Detroit Mercy. He recently authored a textbook titled *Sources of the African-American Past*. He & wife Barbara live at 30850 Puritan St, Livonia, MI 48154. ● **Bob Hunt** passed away at his home on Sept 6, 1998 after a battle with a rare type of liver cancer. Bob had been an LPN at the Veteran's Hospital and was a MasterSergeant-Wardmaster in the Army Reserve. He is survived by wife **Paula (DeGraff '73)**, who resides at 57 Marble Ave, PO Box 79, Waldoboro, ME 04572. They have 4 children: **Darcey (Hunt '96) Smith**, Matthew (21), Ian (13) and Noel (11). Paula continues to homeschool Ian and Noel. ● **BG (Betty-Gene) Johnson** finished the Ironman world championship race on Oct 3, 1998 with a smile on her face! She is planning to compete next year, but needs to qualify again. BG lives in Hawaii, and her email is fathom512 @juno.com.

1976

Steve & Jeannine **Gradeless** are the proud parents of Aimee Marie born Sept 21, 1998. Siblings are Brandon (19), Katy (16) and Keri (14). The family lives at 5766 Finnegan Ct, Dublin, OH 43017. ● **Keith Thompson** is vice pres for underwriting services and specialty worker's compensation for American Home Assurance Co, a member company of American Intl Group. Although working in Manhattan, he lives in Bucks County, PA.

1977

Judy Hakala is custom products and service manager at CMI-Competitive Solutions. She is a member of Reconciliation Metropolitan Community Church where she is active in the choir, justice ministry and capital campaign. Her address is 3024 Woodbridge Apt 304, Grand Rapids, MI 49512. Email is halalaj@cs.cmi.com. ● **Hans** & Sandra **Malebranche** live at 11344 W Monticello Pl, Westchester, IL 60154. Email is hansmalebranche@hotmail.com.

1979

Shirley (Pritchett) Hill has been named acting senior vice pres, affiliate sales and relations, for the Fox Family Channel. She has been with the cable network since 1983, when it was owned and operated by the Christian Broadcasting Network. Fox Family Worldwide, a joint venture between Saban Entertainment and News Corp, purchased the network from CBN in 1997. Shirley will continue to be based in the Fox Family Channel's Chicago office. ● **Lois (Soper) Roelse** is proud to announce the birth of Ruth Noel on Dec. 17, 1998. Sadly, Lois' husband Jim passed away on May 25, 1998. Lois has relocated to the Grand Rapids area to be near family. Her address is 4741 Sheri Lynn Dr SW, Wyoming, MI 49509. Email is laroelse@prodigy.com. Lois praises God for the great mercy and grace He has shown in the past months.

1980

David Close has been a teacher and coach at Stow HS since 1988. He & wife Pat & children Cameron (10), Angela (8) and Jacquelyn (5) have moved to 205 Silver Valley Blvd, Munroe Falls, OH 44262. A former basketball player of David's, Josh Kijanko, is a freshman living on—of course—3rd Morris, the Brotherhood!

1981

Joel & **Sandy (Wessels) Flynn** have come "home" to the Midwest, after 15 years in New England. Their new address is 4737 Eastbury Estates Dr, Davenport, IA 52807. They have 3 children: Katelyn (10), Liana (4) and Jacob (1)—and a chocolate labrador. They would love to hear from alumni living in the area! Email is JSFlynn @juno.com. ● **Todd Shinabarger** lived out his fantasy of being a professional baseball player when he

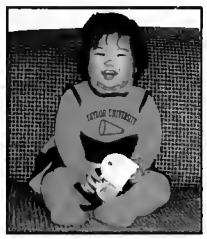
participated in the Detroit Tiger's Field of Dreams Weekend last summer. He and 42 other participants played 6 games in Tiger Stadium. They were coached by ex-Tiger players such as Mickey Lolich, Dave Bergman, Jason Thompson, and John Worden. The highlight of the weekend for Todd was hitting a home run into the right field bleachers. Todd, wife **Cindy (Glass '82)** & twins Eric & Erin (12) live in Auburn, IN. ● **J. P. Zinn** is a faculty member at American InterContinental Univ in the Grad School of Information Technology. His new address is 425 Victoria Station Blvd, Lawrenceville, GA 30043. Email is jpzinn @aiuniv.edu.

1982

Jeff Perrine passed away on Oct 6, 1998 after a long illness. Surviving are his wife **Dori (deSmit '83)** & children Pieter (11) and Kristin (9). In memory of Jeff, several former cross country and track teammates of his were presented with long-sleeved turtleneck shirts with the words, "Jeff Perrine: Proverbs 3:5, 6, 7" embroidered on them. In addition, an athletic award in Jeff's name was presented to Taylor University. Dori & the children live at 1737 Carlson Ln, Wheaton, IL 60187.

1983

After 10 years of ministry on staff at the Paradise Alliance Church (CA), **Brian Long** is now senior pastor of Church of the Foothills in Cameron Park, CA. Brian, wife **Cindy (Price '81)** & Britton, Kaley and Jackson now reside at 3134 Cambridge Ct, Cameron Park, CA 95682. Email is Brian@cotf.org. ● **Paul** & Wendy **Orchard** joyfully announce the birth of Ryan Eric on Aug 9, 1998. Paul is an assistant prof in the department of exercise and sport science at Cedarville College. He also serves as head track and field coach for men and women. Wendy is a full-time homemaker, taking care of Ryan and older brother Brendan Taylor (2). Their address is 597 S Columbus St, Xenia, OH 45385. Email is orchardP @cedarville.edu. ● **James & Priscilla (Smith '85) Wynalda** are the proud parents of Lillian Priscilla who was born in South Korea on Oct 22, 1997. She arrived home on April 8, 1998. Siblings are Nathanael (8), Sally (6), named for **Sally Keith '85**, and Brian (4), named for **Brian Smith '87**. Jim works at Brookville Child and Adolescent Medicine and Priscilla is a *working* stay-at-home mom. The family lives at 8122 Belmont Ave NE, Belmont, MI 49306. Email is drjim@wbbs.mi.org.



Lillian Wynalda

Brian and Cindy (Price) Long and family

Ryan Eric Orchard

1984

Rick Francis x coaches at Rogers HS in Newport, RI. He would like to hear from any old wrestling teammates and coaches. He & wife Melissa have 2 children: Cotter (6) and Nicole (5). Cotter is wrestling in the kids USA program; they hope to meet other alumni at the national meets. The family lives at 121 Maple Ave, Middletown, RI 02842. Email is rick62 @ibm.net. ● **Kerry Oren, Jon Roth '85 and Kevin May '79** have formed AcousTech Inc, a lab for testing and quality evaluation of electronic components. You can reach them at 219-637-2167 or at www.acoustech-inc.com.

1985

Theodore, **Camille Rae (House)** & Joelle **Beck** live at 668 Kimberly Ln, Montgomery, IL 60538. Camille is a college and career counselor at Aurora Christian School. Email is camillerae @juno.com. ● John & **Kim (Offenhauser) Mahoney** are the proud parents of Matthew John born May 20, 1998. The family's address is 22 Normandy Blvd E, Convent Station, NJ 07961.

Matthew Mahoney

● Jim & **Carol (Holtzapple) Underwood** are proud to announce the birth of Tanner William on May 14, 1998. Brothers are Travis (7) and Tyler (5). They live at 212 Country Club Dr, Heath, TX 75032. Email is jcwood3 @juno.com.

1986

David & **Jayne (Stockman) Cash** joyfully announce the birth of Miranda Michelle on Oct 3, 1998. Sister Ariel is 5. Both Dave & Jayne work at Rosemont Center, a mental health treatment center for children and families. Their address is 169 Powhatan Ave, Columbus, OH 43204. Email is djcash@ameritech.net. ● **Paul** & Lora **Clark** are the proud parents of Sophie Nicole born Oct 2, 1998. Brother Silas is 6. They live at 4948 E 300 S, Marion, IN 46953. Email is peclark @comteck.com. ● Todd & **Susan (Miller) Raisch** joyfully announce the birth of Elly Anderson on Dec 5, 1998. Todd is golf course superintendent at The Ridgewood Country Club and Susan is home full-time with Elly. Their address is 2356 Pembroke Ct, Mahwah, NJ 07430.

1987

Harold "Skip" Gianopulos Jr. has been chosen one of the top 300 financial advisers in the country by WORTH magazine. WORTH's list of the "Top 300 Financial Advisers" represents individuals determined to be at the top of their professions. Skip is a senior financial planner at Harris Trust & Savings Bank, specializing in counseling high net worth individuals and business owners in the areas of asset protection, business succession, estate planning, and tax management. ● **Greg** & Cathy **Habegger** are the proud parents of Jack Milton born Oct 14, 1998. They live at 12557 Timbercreek Dr Apt 5, Carmel, IN 46032. ● **Steve &**

Harold (Skip) Gianopulos, Jr.

Leanne (VanNattan '88) McKinney joyfully announce the birth of Daniel Charles on Sept 1, 1998. Sisters are Amanda (6) and Caroline (4). They are living in Monett, MO where Steve works for a banking software company while Leanne is thrilled to be a full-time mom. Email is smckinney@mo-net.com. ● **Kenton x & Tonya (Schroyer '88) Merrick** proudly announce the birth of Lucas Cole on May 27, 1997. Brother Zachary Scott is 4. The family lives at 23720 66th St, Paddock Lake, WI 53168. Email is kmerrick @ix.netcom.com. ● **Kevin Moritz** has moved to 3718 E LaSalle St #2202, Colorado Springs, CO 80909. Email is kevinmoritz@juno.com. ● **Kurt** & Beth **Symanzik** reside at 531 Fletcher St, Owosso, MI 48867. Email is kbsymanz @shianet.org. ● Les & **Janet (Porfilio) Westlake** live at 694 Candy Ln, Cantonment, FL 32533. Les retired from the Coast Guard and has a position assembling John Deere tractors and equipment. Janet is fully involved as the minister of CE and children's ministries at Cokesbury United Methodist Church in Pensacola. Visitors are always welcome! Email is diaconalminister@juno.com.

1988

Rob & Dawn (Bernhardt '87) Easler are excited to announce the birth of Dawson Robert on Oct 21, 1998. He is an incredible gift from God! Their address is 1306 Crab Apple Ct, Naperville, IL 60540. ● **Steve Grimes** lives at 1002 E Leeland Heights Blvd, Lehigh Acres, FL 33936. Email is Grimes_s @popmail.firn.edu. ● **Karl & Jennifer (Diller) Knarr** are proud to announce the adoption of Charles Jonathan on Dec 16, 1997. They only had several hours notice before his arrival! The family lives at 5113 Trull Brook Dr, Noblesville, IN 46060.

1989

Russ & **Debby (Moore) Running** are the proud parents of Brandon Alan born Oct 12, 1998. Sister Cassandra Jane is 3. They are owners of Running's Yamaha-John Deere and sell and service Yamaha snowmobiles and ATVs, as well as John Deere lawn and grounds care equipment. They live at 3761 County Hwy A, Rhinelander, WI 54501.

1990

Emily Alexander married Andrew Eatough on June 27, 1998 in Cincinnati, OH. Besides friends and family from Taiwan and CA, several Taylor friends attended. The couple's address is 418 Amelia St, Duncanville, TX 75137. Email is Emily_Eatough @SIL.org. ● **Michael & Lisa (Loy '92) Belcher** now live at 1891 E 600 S, Jonesboro, IN 46938. Email is mablcb @comteck.com. ● Vic & **Jennifer (Layton) Haddad** joyfully announce the birth of Meredith Lynn on April 7. Sister Morgan is 3. Jennie loves staying at home with the girls! Their address is 2365 Worthington Dr, Troy, OH 45373. ● **Mike Hamsher** and Keri Simmons were married on Aug 15, 1998 in Wooster, OH. Participants in the wedding were **Kevin Page '91, Tim Wintermute '91,** and **Matt Hamsher**. Mike is teaching math and coaching volleyball at James Island HS, Charleston, SC. The couple's address is 1111 Castlelake Ct, Charleston, SC 29414. Email is mhamsher@usa.net. ● **Kenneth Hugoniot** is pursuing a graduate degree in linguistics at the Univ of California at Santa Barbara. His address is 713 Gayley Walk #102, Goleta, CA 93117. Email is khugoniot@bigfoot.com. ● **Lori Nordengren** married Tim Schneiderwind on Jan 1, 1998. TU participants were **Jill Godorhazy, Esther Meier '89, Mary Jane (Schramm '91) Bogle, Beth Keller '88,** and **Greg Swanson '89**. Lori is a product development coordinator at Cova Financial and Tim is president of Aldgate Construction. They live at 1221 Doe Rd, Palatine, IL 60067. Email is lschneid @cova.com. ● **Linda Sechrist** lives at 700 N Waverly Rd #508, Porter, IN 46304. Email is sechrist@netnitco.net.

Mike and Keri Hamsher

Lori (Nordengren) Schneiderwind

1991

Scott Kooistra is a dentist in the US Navy, currently stationed in Iwakuni, Japan. The address for Scott, wife Janet & Suzanne (2) is PSC 561 Box 219, FPO AP 96310, Japan. Email is kooistra @iwk0.attnet.or.jp. He would like to hear from any "cyberspace biogeeks" out there. ● **Buzz & Missy (Laidig '90) Phelps** joyfully announce the birth of Justin James on Jan 4, 1998. Brother Jacob is 5. They live on a farm near Nappanee, IN where Buzz is a grain and hog farmer. Missy substituted at the local elementary school until Justin was born; now she is a full-time "family manager." ● **Mark & Cindy (Steenblik) Schenkel** proudly announce the birth of Andrew Mark on Sept 6, 1998. Sisters are Kayla (5) and Katherine (2). The family resides at 10109 N Pointe Dr, Granger, IN 46530. Mark is a sales rep for Schenkel's Dairy and Cindy is a stay-at-home mom. ● **Wes & Cindy (Hayes '92) Williamson** are the proud parents of Andrew Joel born Aug 4, 1998. Sisters are Ellen (4) and Rebecca (2). They live at 1096 A Rettew Mill Rd, Ephrata, PA 17522.

Justin and Jacob Phelps

1992

Roger & **Sally (Banks x) Dilas** joyfully announce the birth of Timothy Aaron on July 10, 1998. Siblings are Kendall (9), Ellie (6), and Hope (2). They reside at 45 Mickey Rd, Shelby, OH 44875. They would love to hear from old classmates! ● **Peter & Jamie (Costas) Carlson** & Gabrielle (2) are living in Athens, Greece and working with refugees under International

Teams. Jamie has just completed a CD of sacred songs titled "Rest in Me." Some of the songs are her own composition and others are old classics. Classmates who are interested in purchasing her CD may contact Ina Carlson, 1701 Randalia Dr, Ft Wayne, IN 46805. Peter & Jamie would enjoy hearing from former classmates. Email is PJGCARLSON @compuserve.com. ● **Drew Hamilton** was one of about 150 alumni, parents and friends who gathered in Pasadena, CA to cheer on the Taylor Trojans in their first NAIA football playoff game against Azusa Pacific. Drew has a California plate showing his Taylor spirit! ● **Kay Harvey** and Bill Stomp were married on Aug 2, 1997. TU participants were **Libby Smith, Christine (LaRue) Mortensen**, and **Chris (Scherrer '91) Muhr**. A graduate of the US Naval Academy, Bill is out of the Navy and works as a loan officer for Norwest Mortgage. Kay is enjoying her 7th year of teaching 5th grade at Plaza Elem School. The couple resides at 5137 Andover Rd, Virginia Beach, VA 23464. Email is bkstomp@juno.com ● **Lis Kimmer** married Richard Trottier on Aug 10, 1998 at Taylor's prayer chapel in a private ceremony. Lis works as an NIE coordinator for The Keene Sentinel newspaper and Rick is a 5th grade teacher. The couple lives at 32 Ashuelot St Apt A, Keene, NH 03431. Email is tkbtower @top.monad.net. ● **Andrew & Laurie (Randall) McNeil** are the proud parents of Jack Morgan born Dec 22, 1998. Brother Ethan is almost 2. The family lives in Indianapolis, IN. ● **Chris & Becky (Brandt) Moell** recently moved to Findlay, OH where Chris accepted a position as an attorney in the tax department at Marathon Ashland Petroleum. After teaching school for 5 yrs, Becky is now a stay-at-home mom. Dustin (Dusty) Lee was born July 24, 1997. The family's address is 1516 Autumn Dr, Findlay, OH 45840. ● Randy & **Kim (Roberts) Norbeck** joyfully announce the birth of Emily Anne on June 23, 1998. Kim taught 2nd grade at Wheaton Christian Grammar School but is now at home with Emily. Randy is a superintendent with Focus Development. Their address is 10 W Pinehurst Cir #202, Glendale Heights, IL 60139. ● **Andy & Barb (Alexander) Peterson** are celebrating the adoption of Grace Martha born Aug 31, 1998. The family lives at 58785 Timberlane Dr, Naperville, IL 60563. ● **Mary Scifres** married Chris Provence on Aug 8, 1998. They reside in the inner city of Indianapolis where they serve in the neighborhood. Mary is employed as a social worker at Outreach, Inc, a street ministry to homeless, runaway and at-risk youth. Chris is a mortgage broker. They live at 2401 Guilford Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46205. ● Kip & **Debbie (Metcalfe) Wesner** joyfully announce the birth of Kip Andrew Wesner, Jr. on Sept 11, 1997. Debbie works for Olinger Distributing and Kip works for Hoosier Basketball Magazine. They reside at 3645 Toronto Ct. Indianapolis, IN 46268. ● Larry & **Jackie (Jenkins) Wiles** are the proud parents of Rachel Mary Katherine born Sept 27, 1998. Sister Rebekah is 2. The family lives at 1149 Fisher Dr, Piqua, OH 45356.

Drew Hamilton

Kay (Harvey) and Bill Stomp

Dustin Moell

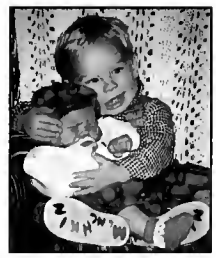
Kip, Debbie (Metcalfe) and KJ Wesner

Rachel Wiles

Grace Peterson

1993

John & Jennifer (Barrett) Benjamin are the proud parents of Joshua Andrew born July 17, 1998. Jennifer is pleased to have the opportunity to stay at home with Joshua. They live at 5114 Stanhope Ln, Indianapolis, IN 46254. Robert & Marcia Benjamin (TU faculty and staff members) are happy to finally be grandparents! ● On July 5, 1998, the home of **John "Jace" & Cassie (Miller x) Carlson** burned. All of them were kept safe by the grace of God. Only Jace was home at the time and got the pets out of the house. Cassie, Rowland (5) and Mylon (3) were visiting Cassie's parents at the time. They feel that if they had all been home the children would never have lived. They are now residing in Cassie's hometown. God blessed them with a house to rent in a town that does not have much housing available. Jace even has a new job. The Carlsons can be reached at 422 W Finley St, Upper Sandusky, OH 43351. Email is cassiecar@usa.com or jacecar@bright.net. ● **Rick & Lynn (Howe '92) Cina** proudly announce the birth of Landon Kane on Aug 30, 1998. Brother Clayton is 2. Rick is a school social worker, while Lynn loves spending her days with the boys. Their address is 310 Jackson St, Morrisonville, IL 62546. Email is rlcina@intst.com. ● **Jamey & Robin (Fulbright '94) Dickman** are the proud parents of Annetta Michelle born Dec 17, 1998. Brother Joseph is 1. The family lives in West Salem, WI. ● **Matthew Hardy** is in his final year of a doctoral program in clinical psychology at Wheaton College. He & wife Vanessa live at 301 E Seminary, Wheaton, IL 60187. Email is Matthew.M.Hardy@Wheaton.edu. ● **David & Jennifer (Naylor) Upton** are thankful parents of Kelsy Joy born June


Joseph and Annetta Dickman

8, 1998. Brother Caleb is 2. Jenny had Lyme disease during her entire pregnancy, though it wasn't discovered until after the baby was born. This could have caused very serious birth defects, but the baby is fine. Jenny is still battling the effects of the disease. The family lives at 516 Wexford Dr, Venice, FL 34293.

Scott, Zoe and Jakob Hansen

1994

Elyse Marie, infant daughter of **Shawn & Aileen (Haralson) DeJonge** died Jan 10, 1999. She was 12 days old. Immediately after her birth, Elyse developed an infection that turned into spinal meningitis and pneumonia. Words of encouragement and sympathy can be sent to the couple at 1910 Plymouth Terrace SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49506. ● **Elizabeth Ferris** lives at 3595 Holtsclaw Rd, Milton, IN 47357. She is an assistant coordinator for the 21st Century Scholars Program. She works at the East-Central Indiana support site located at Indiana Univ-East. She was excited to know that **Randall Dodge '81** played an important role in the developing stages of this statewide program. Email is liferris@indiana.edu. ● **Christina Fox** and Christopher Knoderer were married on Nov 28, 1998 in Greenwood, IN. The couple lives at 253 Arbor Dr, Carmel, IN 46032. Email is CLKnoderer @hotmail.com or CLKnoderer @aol.com. ● Scott & **Zoe (Bond) Hansen** are the proud parents of Jakob Finn born Oct 28, 1998. The family lives at 474 Seymour Rd Apt 1, Charlottesville, VA 22903. ● **Deanna Hakeos** married Matthew Ortiz on Dec 27, 1997. TU participants were **Amy (Teeters) Niemi, Heather (Brenneman) Miles, Lisa (Angerer) Craddock, Dawn (Deak) Morehouse, Jackie (McConnell '93) Kline, Jodie (Schutte) Tienvieri, Jennifer (Cooper) Ridner**, and **Adrienne Wells**. Deanna finished her master's degree and is in her 5th year of teaching 4th grade for Bedford Schools. Matthew is employed by the Monroe County Courthouse, working in the probations department. The couple lives at 2241 W Albain Rd, Monroe, MI 48161. ● **David & Lisa (Oliverson) Herschberger** live at 939 Colonial Manor Dr, Goshen, IN 46526. David's email is davher @polygoncompany.com and Lisa's email is lherschberger @goshenschools.org. ● **Mike** & Michelle **Hieb** joyfully announce the birth of daughter Keilah Galilee on May 28, 1998. Godparents are **Tim & Erin (Martin '94) Leyen**. The family's address is 2321 Crums Ln, Jeffersonville, IN 47130. ● **Kevin Holtsberry** is the legislative aide to Ohio State Representative Sally Perz. He can be reached via email at kjay@n2history.com. ● **Nathan & Kristine (Holdiman) Mucher** live at 3505 Wildwood Ave, High Point, NC 27265. Email is natemucher @aol.com. ● **Tina Pobanz** and Ryan Haik were married Nov 14, 1998. TU participants in the wedding were **Nicole Thrasher, Holly (Farner) Bosier, Sharon (Delp) Matsudo, Heather (Shellhamer) VanWagner**, and **Holly (Lembright) Martin**. The couple lives at 6915 Tripoli St SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546. ● **Matt** & Sherri **Whiteford** are the proud parents of Allison Renee born May 4, 1998. Their address is 400 Sunshine Dr, Miller, SD 57362. Email is mjwsba@hotmail.com.

Matthew and Deanna (Hakeos) Ortiz

Lynn (Lutzer) and Shay Roush

Tina Pobanz and friends

1995

Dave TUFW x'96 & Melissa (Bostrom '95) Figgins are the proud parents of Tyler born May 11, 1998. Both Dave & Melissa work at Sunshine Bible Academy. They reside at 400 Sunshine Dr, Miller, SD 57362. Email is figsba@hotmail.com. ● **Nat Hale**, after spending 2 years in the Netherlands, has moved to Bahrain where he will continue his work with Young Life and Military Community Youth Ministries. His new address is c/o Command Chaplain, PSC 451 Box 11, FPO AE 09834. Email is nathale20@hotmail.com. ● **Lynn Lutzer** and Shay Roush were married on Dec 27, 1997, in Chicago, IL. TU participants were **Caryn Grimstead '96, Michelle Bowman '96, Elisabeth (Bowler '96) Hobbs**, and **Christie Allen**. Lynn has her master's degree in counseling psychology and is a Christian therapist in Des Plaines, IL. Shay is working on an MDiv at Trinity Seminary. The couple lives at 785 Westmoreland Dr #207, Vernon Hills, IL 60061. ● **Kari Manko** married Kevin Richards on July 25, 1998 in Canal Fulton, OH. TU participants were **Jamie (Thomas) Merkel, Michelle Niccum**, and **Julie Hollingshead**. Both Kevin and Kari work at MasterSpas, Inc where Kevin is a sales rep and Kari is in advertising and marketing support. They live at 7514 Saddleback Ct 2D, Ft Wayne, IN 46804. Email is lauter @masterspas.com. ● Randy & **Terra (Twardy) Saffen** and son Elisha (2) live at 10475 Zionsville Rd, Zionsville, IN 46077. Email is terra@earthling.net.

Kevin and Kari (Manko) Richards

1996

Jennifer Bartels married Bill Colin on May 9, 1998 in Essexville, MI. TU participants were **Rachel Diller '95, Tamara (Upton) Smith, Andrew Bullock, Clinton**

Erickson '97, and **Marco Ray '98**. The couple resides at 2125-02 Woodburn Dr SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546. Email is omegahome @triton.net. ● **Brian & Bobbie (Voght '95) Brokaw** mourn the loss of son Joshua David. He was born Dec 27, 1998 and lived for 5 1/2 hours. Joshua was born with a condition that kept his ribs from growing properly, so his heart and lungs couldn't develop properly. The Brokaws are thankful for everyone who has offered support and prayers during this time. Their address is PO Box 358, Stryker, OH 43557. ● **Kelly Garfield married Justin Moore '97** on Dec 27, 1997. TU participants were **Katie (Rosema '96) Montgomery, Laurie (Ruckman '95) Mundy, Aaron Bronson x'97, Brent Bradish '97**, and **Mike Pobanz**. Their address is 7880 Village Dr #C, Cincinnati, OH 45242. ● **Becky Henderson** has moved to Rome, Italy, to work with an evangelistic ministry called Italy for Christ. Email is tsmlt @hotmail.com. ● **Danielle Jarrett** married Jesse Holt on Sept 27, 1997 in Lansdale, PA. Danielle is self-employed and works in childcare and development. Jesse is employed by Paul Russell & Co as a European auto restoration specialist. They enjoy living on the ocean and reside on the north shore of MA. Their address is 44 Lexington Ave Apt G-1, Magnolia, MA 01930. They would enjoy hearing from any alumni in the area! ● **Rachel denHartog** married Ryan Mohrmann on Nov 7, 1998. Rachel is the culinary director of the Timberline Lodge. Their address is PO Box 3311, Winter Park, CO 80482. Email is rachelden @juno.com. ● Joseph & **Andrea (Boeve) Masvero** are the proud parents of Josiah Benjamin born June 9, 1998. Joe is a financial consultant with Merrill Lynch and Andrea is a full-time mom. Their address is 18117 Mohawk Dr, Spring Lake, MI 49456. Email is ajm @sirus.com. They would love to hear from Taylor friends! ● **Eric** & Melissa **Moyen** live at 608 W Maple, Nicholasville, KY 40356. Eric is teaching 8th grade history and Bible at Lexington Christian Academy. Missy is director of Birthright of Lexington, a crisis pregnancy center. ● **Heather Waliczek married Terry Moritz** on July 11, 1998 in Palatine, IL. TU participants were **Traci Tiberi, Noel Warren '95, Joe '89 & Lisa (Moritz '90) Miller, Rob Wynkoop '92, Chris Popp '92**, and **Matt Harvey '92**. Terry works for Myers & Stauffer CPA firm and Heather is a 5th grade teacher. The couple lives at 9544 Gibbs St, Fishers, IN 46038.

Bill and Jennifer (Bartels) Colin

Justin and Kelly (Garfield) Moore

Josiah Masvero

Danielle (Jarrett) and Jesse Holt

Terry and Heather (Waliczek) Moritz

1997

Stacey Camp x married Benjamin Kopchick on June

Alumni from three states gather for reunion

TU alumni from three states (Indiana, Ohio and Pennsylvania) joined TU student **Leslie Wood '00** for a two-family sibling reunion on the slopes of Pennsylvania's Elk Mountain. Pictured with Leslie (lower left) are (counterclockwise) **April (Fausnight '96) Wood, Gina Fausnight '93, Sandy Wood '97, Eric Wood '95**, and **Jody Fausnight '91**.

Eric & April Wood & son Jordan live at 3401 N Burgess Rd, Muncie, IN 47304. Email is woode@iquest.net. Eric is a project manager in web-based applications works at Charles Schwab. April is busy keeping up with Jordan. They enjoy volunteering with Muncie's Blood & Fire ministry and South Madison Community Choir, ministries to the inner city.

Sandy Wood lives at 111 E Market St, Apt A, Bluffton, IN 46714. Email is sandy01@juno.com. Sandy is on staff as a youth worker in the Bluffton area, serving on the YFC staff at Norwell HS.

Gina Fausnight now lives at 415 W Liberty Ave, Ashland, OH 44805. Email is gfausnight@hotmail.com. After serving as a missionary in Singapore, Gina is currently serving as the youth director at God's Heart Fellowship in Savannah, OH. She is also teaching dance lessons, piano lessons, and substitute teaching at Mapleton HS and school district. She is excited to serve in an area where her parents grew up and where she and brother Jody were born.

Jody Fausnight & wife Tracy live at 4 Monterey Building, Hershey, PA 17033. Email is jfausnight@hcs.com. Jody is in his 5th year as the director of promotion and development at Harrisburg Christian School. Tracy is completing her pediatric residency at the Hershey Medical Center. Jody is also working on an MBA.

Leslie Wood is anticipating her final year at Taylor next fall; however, she is taking this spring to explore missions service in Jamaica.

28, 1997 in Batesville, IN. TU participants were **Cara Prentice** and **Joey Weir** x. Ben works as store manager for Family Christian Stores in Austin and Stacey is the clinic director for a local optometrist. Their address is 7700 Louis Henna Blvd #234, Round Rock, TX 78664. ● **Nicole Corcoran** married Erik Vik on July 26, 1998 in St. Paul, MN. TU participants were **Jennie Miglioratti** '98, **Traci Baker**, **Melissa (Barcalow) Hullinger**, **Hillary Spragg** x, and **Evamarie Verwys**. The couple lives at 2107 4th St. White Bear Lake, MN 55110. ● **Heather Ellison** and **Cory Beck** '96 were married on Aug 22, 1998 in Grabill, IN. TU participants were **Steve Delzell** '96, **Chris Adkison** '95, **Chad Beck** x'94, **Jim Vining** '96, **Eric Eklund** '95, **Julie (Palm** x'97) **Frizzell**, **Michele Anderson**, **Regan Beck**, '99, **Anne Marie (Ellison** '94) **Dahl**, **Cara Hopkins** '99, **Mark Rudy** '96, **Liz Guille** '97, and **Jonathan Dahl** '96. The couple lives at 1901 Stormy Ct, Schaumburg, IL 60193. ● **Jacob Gaines** and Abigail Aldrich were married on Dec 19, 1998. In the wedding from TU were **Matt Ghormley** '98, **Wes Gaines** '00, and **Daniel Rohweder**. The couple lives at 424 W Gladstone St Apt 92, Glendora, CA 91740. ● **Lisa Huber** resides at 580 N Los Robles Ave #10, Pasadena, CA 91101. She is working on an MDiv at Fuller Seminary. Email is Lisa_L_Huber@hotmail.com. ● **Ryan** TUFW '01 **& Dawn (Balius) Kenneda** are the proud parents of Ellen Marie born Oct 30, 1998. Ryan is finishing his degree in criminal justice and Dawn is the band and orchestra director at Lane Middle School. Their address is 3811 Indiana Ave Apt 10, Ft Wayne, IN 46807. Email is rdkenneda@juno.com. ● **Kristin Martin** married Ben Hoblet on June 27, 1998. TU participants were **Karl Martin** '94, **Kara (Kennel** '95) **Matthews**, **Jen (Belden) Carpenter**, **Deb Leach** '96, and **Kris Fritzsche**. The couple's address is 2139 Carriage Dr, Powell, OH 43065. ● **Justin Peterson** lives at 137 Twin Wood Dr, Havelock, NC 28532. Email is jdir2@juno.com. ● **Keri Quick married Mark Kornelson** on July 18, 1998. TU participants were **Melissa Pawley**, **Kelli Romine**, **Summer Black** '97, and **Randy Cox** x'98. Email is kornelsens@juno.com. ● **Kevin & Sarah (Kutschke) Sikes** live at 11900 Brewster, Livonia, MI 48150. Email address is sikes@enco.com.

Chris and Heather Ellison Beck and Taylor friends

Kristin Martin and Ben Hoblet

1998

Erica Barnett and Adam Konopka were married on June 20, 1998 in Evansville, IN. Participating in the wedding from TU were **Brynn Konopka** '96, **Peter Marshall** '96, **Mandy Stuck** '97, **Tracy Jensen** '97, **Chad Frizzell**, **Jonathan Yeager**, **Andy Rowell**, **Jon Stanley**, **Brad Bitner**, **Beth Klima**, and **Tomoko Tahara**. The couple lives at 801 Livingston NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49503 where they are pursuing further education. ● **Atta Dawahare** is attending Western Seminary in Seattle. He lives at 9525 NE 180th St #305, Bothell, WA 98011. Email is Resplendent@msn.com. ● **Latoya Farrington** resides at Queens Rd, Nassau East, Nassau, Bahamas. Email is latoya.farrington@cspb.com. ● **Tricia Hopp and David Morgan, Jr** '96 were married on June 5, 1998 in Waupun, WI. TU participants included **Stephanie (Balyo) Tamlyn**, **Steve Delzell** '96, **Matt** '95

Erica Barnett and Adam Konopka

Tricia Hopp and David Morgan

& Tina (Hopp '96) **Aalsma**, **Todd Fox** '93, **Jennifer Morgan** '99, and **Chad Roberts** '96. They live at 1625 E Girard Pl 213B, Englewood, CO 80110. Email is dtmorganjr@aol.com. ● **Dana Hunt married Dave McGinness** on June 27, 1998 in Indianapolis, IN. TU participants were **Abagail James**, **Jon Bergeron** '94, **James Blackwood** '95, Dr. Robert Lay, Dr. William Heth and Dr.

Dana Hunt and Dave McGinness

Barbara Dickey, Cindy Bratton from the DC catered the event. The couple lives at 1959 Boulder Dr Apt C-2, Indianapolis, IN 46260. Email is Davemcgin@aol.com. ● **Juliana Menges** is pursuing an MA in English at the Univ of Mississippi. Email is jmmenges@oleness.edu. ● **Daniel Rohweder** lives at 4701 W Oxford Ave, Denver, CO 80236. Email is drohweder@juno.com. ● **Joel & Lori Slager** reside at 2226 E Cork St Apt 1-A, Kalamazoo, MI 49001. Email is joel005@hotmail.com.

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Send your class news and photographs to Marty Songer through email (alumni@tayloru.edu) or by postal mail to the Alumni Office, Taylor Univ., 236 W. Reade Ave., Upland, IN 46989-1001.

Nelson Rediger creates his own Taylor legacy

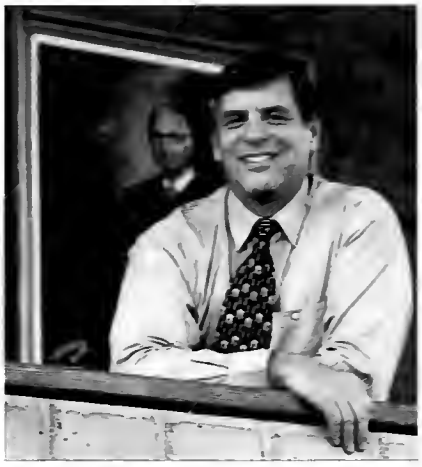
For many people, parents are the first role models to whose accomplishments or standards they try to measure up. Living in the shadow of Dr. Milo Rediger, former professor of Philosophy and Religion, dean of students, academic dean and president, would be an intimidating task for many; Dr. Rediger's son Nelson, however, is equal to the challenge.

Nelson '67 plays an integral role in keeping Taylor University alive through his work as executive associate director of the William Taylor Foundation. (The Foundation is the estate-planning arm of the University that seeks to establish a firm financial basis for the school's future.) His work gives him the opportunity to travel across the country, meeting with friends and alumni of the University, but Nelson claims he "traveled a lot of country" before coming back to Taylor too.

Growing up in Upland with his father's prominent position at the school, Rediger was a participant at Taylor University long before he attended in his college years. After graduating from Taylor in 1967 with a degree in elementary education, Rediger taught sixth grade for almost ten years. Next, he became the dean of a middle school and served as the director of a children's orphanage in South Carolina. Rediger's next two stops brought him home to Indiana. Here, he served as the director of the Marion YWCA and a children's home in Northern Indiana, before returning to Taylor in 1986.

"Going from elementary education to what I do here at the Foundation involved a lot of years of work in fundraising," says Nelson. "When I was approached to work in the Development department, I wasn't looking for a job here; I never thought there was any way to get back to Taylor. I had hoped that some day I could come back, since I had such a great experience here in education and as I grew up here. It was like home. I knew I'd like to help Taylor out sometime, because it helped me out so much."

Rediger has indeed helped Taylor according to Ken Smith, executive director of the Foundation. "It's been a great experience working with



The Rediger family name has a prominent position on campus. Nelson, in front his father's portrait, is standing in the Rediger Chapel Auditorium.

Nelson. Because of his name at the University, he has an incredible way of being able to contact people." Smith also credits Nelson with a wonderful memory for older graduates of the University, many of whom Nelson met as a child. "He was practically raised on campus," says Smith.

Both Smith and Gene Rupp, vice president for Development, praise Rediger's way of working with people. Smith notes Nelson's sincere interest in the lives of others. "Nelson has a love for people — he has a real caring spirit for individuals. He is incredible in the way he writes notes to people, and he's very caring and thankful toward the people who donate to the University," says Smith.

Rupp, who has known Nelson for 45 years, characterizes him as a thoughtful and giving person. "He's always looking to give a memento, gift or 'thank you' to anyone who has had an experience with Taylor University," Rupp says. "Nelson is also incredibly dedicated. He loves Taylor like no one else loves Taylor."

Nelson's family carries on the tradition of Rediger involvement with Taylor University. His wife Beth works in Student Development. Both their daughters, April '01 and Erin '99 attend Taylor. "Nelson is a very loving father and husband — he's very proud of his daughters," says Rupp. His office, overflowing with pictures of his family, attests to this love.

Rupp points out that one of Nelson's strong points is that he is ready to try new things. "He respects tradition, but he isn't stuck with one way of doing things. Nelson's very open-minded and creative." This, according to Rupp, is part of what makes Nelson such an asset to the University.

Recently, Nelson and Beth served as the temporary directors of English Hall while Richard and Beth Muthiah traveled on a Lighthouse tour. "We took over English Hall!" Nelson laughed. The Redigers, who are firm supporters of Taylor's missions programs, were glad to indirectly help with the Lighthouse trip. According to Nelson, "It was a real adventure. We didn't have heat the first week, so we had to have the Prayer and Praise Bible Study in the bathroom. When it got too cold, we just wore sweatshirts and gloves."

Nelson's exuberant personality is his defining characteristic. "Enthusiasm is the best word to describe Nelson," Rupp says. "Everything he does, from fundraising to friendships and family, is done with great gusto and enthusiasm. That's what endears him to the people he works with and why he's able to do a lot for Taylor."

–Kelly Fonfara '99

Hong Kong becomes home to new study program

Senior Bianca Lightbourne spent this past fall semester as Taylor's first exchange student to Hong Kong Baptist University in Kowloon Tong. HKBU was founded as a Christian institution in 1956 and consists of 25 academic departments.

Because the HKBU exchange is a new program, the classes were flexible for Lightbourne, who is a psychology major and a human resource minor. She took 15 credit hours at HKBU, almost all of which applied to her minor. The faculty of HKBU is very culturally diverse, including professors from Australia, the United States, Africa, Germany and China.

The colorful lights of the Hong Kong harbour attract visitors like Bianca Lightbourne, Taylor's first student to spend a semester studying at Hong Kong Baptist University.

Although the mother tongue of the Hong Kong people is Cantonese, the classes at HKBU are taught in English because most young people of Hong Kong have had at least 12 years of English language schooling.

HKBU is a Christian-based institution, and Christianity is understood as the predominate religion on campus. An optional Christian chapel service is held on Wednesdays, and Christmas services and activities from a Christian perspective are held annually.

Lightbourne, pictured here, found the Hong Kong harbour just as attractive by day as by

Lightbourne was even involved in a Bible study and prayer meeting that were organized by the international students in her dorm.

Although the school has a Christian emphasis, many religions are represented in the student body, including Buddhism, Hinduism and atheism. Believers on campus had to be careful not to offend these non-Christian students, realizing they did not understand the Chinese culture. According to Lightbourne, even if she were to present a logical case for Christianity to a Buddhist or Hindi, "it would be an attack to the government system and foundation of culture," because for so long Chinese religious philosophies have been integrated into the government systems. "Hit and run" evangelism would not work in China. Instead, Lightbourne tried to live a life of integrity even in the simple things, such as abiding by the school rules which many students tried to secretly break.

As a black woman, originally from the Bahamas, Lightbourne was smothered as a novelty in China. She thinks she was the first black individual many of them had ever seen. "They touched me, touched my braids, stared at me. I was a page in these people's history books, but they did not show fear or disgust." She feels the Chinese were more willing than Americans to face racial issues but not be divided by them.

Another cultural learning experience was participating in the Chinese social scene. Lightbourne noticed that how she dressed did not influence her identity at HKBU or persuade others to be more accepting, because the Chinese base identity on character, not external factors. She was surprised that there was no pressure to be anything but nice. The Chinese responded to one another with sincerity.

"In all my college career, I have met the most caring, giving, generous, authentic people in Hong Kong I will ever meet, even though many of these people are not Christians," says Lightbourne. "I fell in love with so many people willing to lay their hearts out on the table, to be vulnerable, to trust you." She advises anyone going to HKBU to not distance themselves from close relationships, despite knowing they will have to leave those relationships in four months. Building close friendships can create what Lightbourne sees as a blessing of her time in China – "friends in almost every corner of the world."

"I have been exposed to so many experiences, sites, and incredible people and friendships," Lightbourne summarizes. "I wish my family and friends could have been with me to experience it all, too – standing over the skyline at night, laughing with me and feeling all this beauty and joy with me. I know they would have appreciated it just as much as I did."

—Janessa Futrell '01

Domino effect brings Hartzler girls to campus

Set dominos on their edges and when given a push, they will fall, one-by-one, in the same direction. Where they land, they lean on each other.

The same is true of the Hartzler sisters who, like dominos, followed one-after-another to Taylor. Though close, the sisters never intended to go to the same university. But Paula's experience impressed Beth '97 so much that she followed in her older sister's footsteps; then Jennifer '99 followed Beth, and finally Carrie '01 also came to Taylor.

The "push" that motivated the three younger sisters to attend Taylor was observing Paula's changed faith "I didn't look at a lot of other colleges," says Beth. "Taylor was really developing Paula's spiritual life and I wanted that."

Despite the preparation of watching her sisters come to Taylor, Carrie says it was not easy to adjust to college life. "At a school like Taylor, everybody is at the top of the class," she says. "Freshman year is a time of finding yourself."

"That's why it was so helpful to have sisters," Jennifer adds. "They know you and can help you identify your strengths."

Though there have been obvious areas of overlap — all four have a communications major or minor, Paula '96 and Jennifer were both crowned Homecoming queen during their senior years and Paula and Beth both worked in the Admissions Office — the sisters were careful to find their own niches at Taylor. Carrie is involved in the theater, while Jennifer serves in several leadership roles; Beth and Paula both pursued athletics.

Paula '96, the oldest Hartzler daughter, now lives and works in Nashville, Tenn.

The Hartzler sisters describe a childhood that sounds almost as imaginative and adventurous as the four sisters in Louisa May Alcott's classic tale "Little Women."

"We don't like that reference though," Jennifer explains with a laugh, "because my character dies in 'Little Women.'"

While the plot may be different, the characters are much the same. Bright, vibrant and creative, the Hartzler girls were raised in rural Illinois, serving as each other's playmates and confidants. The girls played games, put on skits and taught their dog to do tricks. Their mother encouraged their musical development, and their father, the only man in a family of five women, quickly learned how to braid hair.

"Our dad deserves some kind of award for living with four girls on a farm," Jennifer says.

Beth, who married Matthew Harrell '96, says her father was thankful to add another man to the family. "Now Matt's just praying one of the others will get married soon," she says.

Though they claim to have fought while growing up, they have no difficulty getting along now, and laugh about the changes that have allowed them to become the best of friends.

"I like to think that Carrie finally matured and caught up with me," Jennifer teases.

The shared jokes and memories create a special bond between the sisters, as does their willingness to make new memories and share new experiences. The Hartzlers have an unspoken rule to keep no secrets.

"You have to tell everything to all the sisters," says Carrie. They laugh as they think about the phone bills that result from the frequent calls between home, Taylor and Nashville, where Paula now lives.

"My three sisters are my best friends," Carrie says. "That's pretty rare these days."

The sisters agree that two factors have influenced the close nature of their friendships – their parents and their time at Taylor.

"It's hard to calculate the effect that Taylor has had on our lives," Beth says. The women agree that the University has impacted their parents as well. "Our parents have become more outspoken about their faith as their daughters grew too."

"Or maybe we're just noticing more because we're catching up with them," Jennifer suggests. Regardless, their parents are grateful their daughters had the opportunity to attend Taylor. And the Hartzler sisters can't imagine Taylor without one another. —*Amber Anderson*

Photos above: Carrie '01, Jennifer '99 and Beth '97 share a laugh over coffee at the Student Union.

History Online

No matter how long it's been since your last visit to Taylor, the campus will seem like home thanks to a recent collaboration between webmaster Evan Kittleman and three students from the Communication Arts department. A new feature on Taylor's website allows visitors to "click" onto any campus building and learn the history, current uses and namesake for each structure.

As a class project for Public Relations Writing and Production, juniors Laura Wompach, Tonya Strubhar and Matt Guilford researched the history of many campus buildings, compiling information from a variety of resources. The summary statements and a picture of each building soon will be available on the web.

"We want people to not only find their way around campus, but also to understand some of Taylor's history and heritage by looking at our map," says Kittleman.

With its historical content and information on current uses, the map will be a valuable resource for alumni, prospective students, parents and visitors who need to locate a campus building, or those who just want to know more about the heritage of Taylor.

"Older alumni can learn about the newer buildings on campus," Kittleman says. "Newer alumni, who are already familiar with most of the buildings, can learn about the history and legacy of the older campus buildings."

Portions of the research completed by Kittleman and the students can be found on this page. The campus map will be accessible in late spring through Taylor's website at www.tayloru.edu.

Helena Memorial Hall was built in the year 1911, and named in honor of Helena Gehman of Urbana, Ohio. University officials initially named it Helena Memorial Music Hall, but the building has since changed functions. Through the years the building has been home to the art

department and has served as a gymnasium, chapel and theater.

In 1986, the hall was nearly destroyed by a fire; it was remodeled in 1988. The hall currently houses the Admissions Office, as well as the Offices of the President and Provost.

Sickler Hall is the oldest of the three remaining original buildings on campus. The hall was completely remodeled in 1995 to house Alumni Relations, the William Taylor Foundation and conference room facilities. Many students come to the Prayer Chapel, located on the main floor, for quiet prayer and reflection.

Sickler was originally a residence hall which provided free housing for children of ministers and missionaries, and since has served as a science hall and the home for the Education and Communication Arts Departments. Built in 1902, the building was funded by a gift from the estate of Christopher Sickler, an early Taylor trustee.

website features history of Taylor buildings

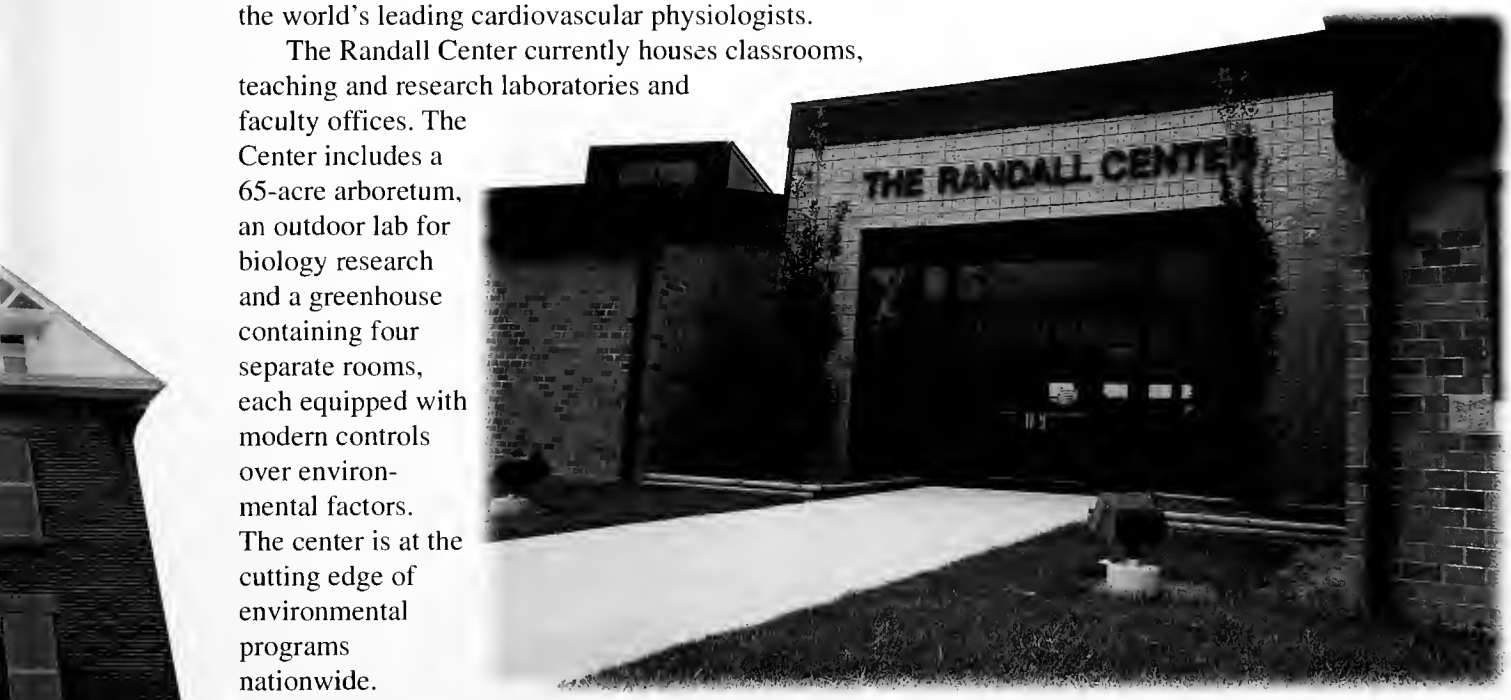
Swallow-Robin was renovated for occupancy in 1990 and currently houses 72 men and women.

When first ready for occupancy by female students in 1917, Swallow-Robin was the largest and best built residence hall on campus.

Rev. Silas C. Swallow and his wife, whose maiden name was Robin, financed a major portion of the original construction cost for the building and asked that it be named in honor of their mothers. Swallow was a leading Prohibition crusader in the country and was nominated to run for president by the Prohibition Party.

The Randall Environmental Studies Center was constructed in 1992. It is named in honor of Dr. Walter Randall, who graduated from Taylor in 1938 and joined the Taylor faculty as a research professor in Natural Sciences in 1987. His research included collaborations with scientists from other major universities such as Harvard and Loyola. Dr. Randall is one of the world's leading cardiovascular physiologists.

The Randall Center currently houses classrooms, teaching and research laboratories and faculty offices. The Center includes a 65-acre arboretum, an outdoor lab for biology research and a greenhouse containing four separate rooms, each equipped with modern controls over environmental factors. The center is at the cutting edge of environmental programs nationwide.



Heidi Schneeman, daughter of Ron Schneeman, director of utility staff for WBCL, made her radio debut at WBCL's Sharathon. The annual two-day event generates the money needed for operating costs at the listener-supported station. For more information on the Sharathon results, see the article on page 18.

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